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CHAPTER V.

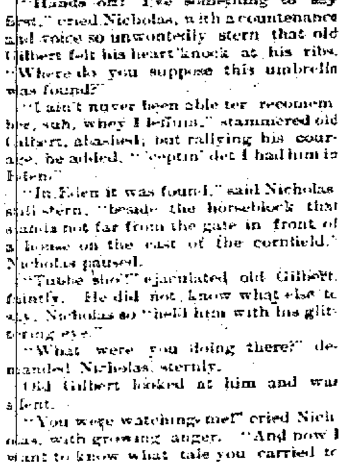
FRIENDS.

Three days later Nicholas arrived at Thorne Hill in his usual bright spirits, apparently, and apparently very happy to be at home. He brought the information that Mrs. Furnival had died the night before, and that Job Furnival would report for work as soon after the funeral as possible.

The colonel was quite willing that Furnival should take his time; the main point was gained in having Nicholas at home to turn Flora's music. But when Aleck Gage came an hour later, Nicholas was off with an ancient umbrella under his arm, to pay a visit to old man Gilbert.

Gilbert was seated upon the sweet gum block that occupied one corner of his hearth, singing a vigorous hymn, while he worked at one of his round bottomed baskets. He felt in good heart: his pot of money was safe, and there had been no sign of the hungry sow about the woods; his "Dominicker" had hatched every one of her fifteen eggs, and his tobacco was thriving; moreover, Mawse Nicholas was summoned home, out of harm's way, and he had not been obliged to betray the young man's secret. "Well, tubbe sho," he commented, in a pause of his singing, "put off yo' lef' shoe when the screech owl hollers, en' you'll ward off desaster."

Something darkened the daylight, and he looked up, and behold! Nicholas was standing in the doorway. Supreme delight in this sudden, unexpected vision blinded his eyes, at first, to the faded umbrella.



"You mean—there is—some one else?"

"Why, howdye, Mawse Nick! Huh you do? Huh you do?" he exclaimed, grinning as he rose, and rubbing his hand on his osnaburg breeches, before he held it out in hearty welcome. "I'se plum glad ter see you!"

Nicholas shook hands, and sat down in the splint bottomed chair, in the corner opposite the sweet gum block. Then old Gilbert's eyes fell upon the umbrella, and grew big and round.

"You is found him, Mawse Nick? Dat umberilla?" And he stretched forth his hands with a chuckle of satisfaction.

"Hands off! I've something to say first," cried Nicholas, with a countenance and voice so unwontedly stern that old Gilbert felt his heart knock at his ribs. "Where do you suppose this umbrella was found?"

"I ain't nuver been able ter recomember, suh, whey I lef him," stammered old Gilbert, abashed; but rallying his courage, he added, "'ceptin' dat I had him in Eden."

"In Eden it was found," said Nicholas still stern, "beside the horseblock that stands not far from the gate in front of a house on the east of the cornfield." Nicholas paused.

"Tubbe sho!" ejaculated old Gilbert, faintly. He did not know what else to say. Nicholas so "held him with his glittering eye."

"What were you doing there?" demanded Nicholas, sternly.

Old Gilbert looked at him and was silent.

"You were watching me!" cried Nicholas, with growing anger. "And now I want to know what tale you carried to my father!"

"I wuz awatchin' you," said old Gilbert, stoutly; "'cause my min' misgive me what you needed lookin' atter; but de Lawd he knows what I ain't toted no tales ter mawster. I jes' tol' him what hit wuz pow'ful lonesome ter Sunrise, en he'd better fotch you home."

Nicholas smiled. "There's your umbrella," he said, yielding the treasure to the owner's waiting hands. "You're the soul of a gentleman, as I've remarked once before."

"I wuz fotch up 'long wid yo' gran' paw, Mawse Nick," old Gilbert reminded him, with visible pride. "All de Thornes wuz genmen."

"White and black!" said Nicholas, and burst out laughing. "Confound your old umbrella! If I had found that you had carried tales to my father, I should have felt tempted to break it over your meddling old head. You leave me to manage my own affairs hereafter, do you mind?"

"Tubbe sho, Mawse Nick, 'ceptin' jes' dis—young folks think ole folks is fools, specially a po' no 'count ole nigger; but I gwan say dis ter you. I'se toted you enter my back when you wuz little, I'se roden you in de fox cyart, en' I'se trained you ter swim wid de help o' gourds; I'se carried you a-fishin' en' a-possum huntin', en' I'se larnt you yo' fust manners. All dis," said the old man, with solemn, uplifted forefinger, "all dis mek hit hukkom I gwan give you instruction now. Doan you go mix yo'se'f wid folks what ain't yo' kind, Mawse Nick. I ain't sayin' nothin' beginst dem Furnivals, Mawse Nick; but de ain't yo' kind."

"You shut up!" said Nicholas hotly, and strode away.

"De Lawd sen' us help outen de sank fairy," sighed old Gilbert. "I'se pow'ful 'sturbed in my min' 'bout dat boy. Chillens is wuss 'en money. You kin hide dat away, ur you kin tote it in yo' pocket; but yo' chilluns you is gotter tote in yo' heart, en' sometimes de is a heavy weight, a heavy weight."

Nicholas did not return to the parlor until an hour or so later, when Aleck Gage was leaving—leaving under the colonel's auspices, one might say, for never since he possessed a house of his own had Col. Thorne been so gracious in speeding the parting guest.

But if Col. Thorne flattered himself that the young gentleman's visits must now become less frequent he was doomed to disappointment. Aleck Gage did not return the next day, indeed, nor yet the next, as the colonel noted with secret satisfaction; but after these two days of absence Miss Flora's persistent lover reappeared, and soon it was manifest that Nicholas' presence made not the slightest difference to Aleck Gage. For Nicholas had ordered his horse and ridden forth with his cousin's lover upon the first opportunity that offered after his arrival, solely to have it understood that he himself was not in love with Flora.

The young men talked of indifferent things until they had passed out at the great gate that opened upon the road; then Aleck said, with a swelling heart:

"It was very clever"—he used this word in the southern acceptation—"very clever of you, Nick, to leave the field clear to me this evening. He was a little jealous, naturally, of Nicholas, but he wished to do his rival justice.

"Monstrous clever!" cried Nicholas; and with a boyish love of teasing, he added, "I am what may be called a fixture, you know."

Aleck Gage frowned slightly.

"But that needn't keep you awake o' nights," Nicholas amended, the next moment, in a tone of sobriety so aged that Aleck looked at him inquiringly.

"My cousin Flora is not for me," Nicholas said; "I shan't stand in your way."

Aleck thought Nicholas tremendously magnanimous; he looked at him with an admiration and sympathy not to be expressed in words. To give up all hope of Flora Thorne seemed to Flora's lover a mighty sacrifice. He made an effort to be magnanimous likewise. "Tell you what, old fellow!" he exclaimed, impulsively, "You stand just as good a chance as your humble servant, if—you mustn't mind my saying it—if you'd only turn a new leaf. Let us start fair and let him laugh who wins, eh, Nick?"

"My thanks to you; I've turned the leaf," said Nicholas dryly; "and it makes no difference. Or, rather," he corrected, in an undertone, and looking far over the fields toward Sunrise plantation, "it makes all the difference in the world." He rose in his stirrups and kissed his hand toward the distant prospect.

Aleck stared. "I—I don't understand you," he stammered.

"Well, this is no riddle, Aleck. Mind you, I'm not in Flo's confidence; but you keep trying; don't you back out for my coming."

"You mean—there is—some one else?"

Nicholas laid his hand on his heart. "There is—some one else," he said. His voice was tremulous with emotion; his whole aspect changed.

"I hope she is worthy of you, Nick," Aleck burst forth. He had a great admiration for Nicholas, in spite of his faults.

"Good heaven!" exclaimed Nicholas, impatiently. "She is a million times too good for me! But that won't prevent my clinging to her till death us do part." He uttered these last words reverently, taking off his hat and bowing his head.

"He couldn't be worse gone if it were Flora herself," was the impression he made upon Flora's lover. "It's not magnanimity, after all." Then he asked, impulsively, and half in a fright:

"What will the colonel say?"

"He'll swear," returned Nicholas, briefly, and with a dark frown.

Aleck had no doubt of it, but he didn't say so.

"The fact is," continued Nicholas, gloomily, "I'm in a ticklish position. My father always expects to have his own way. He demands of me to marry my cousin Flora—this was the drift of what he wrote me when he summoned me from Sunrise. And Flo' and I don't care a button for each other—not in that way. You'll really do me a service, Aleck, if you'll go on as you've begun; I'll help you out. One of these days, maybe, I'll have to ask you to help me out." Nicholas checked his horse and stretched forth his hand.

"Count on me!" exclaimed Aleck, with fervor, as he clasped the proffered hand.

"'Tain't magnanimity, after all," he mused, with a certain satisfaction, as he rode his separate way. "By George, it's the genuine, mighty God Cupid, and there'll be the devil of a row!"

CHAPTER VI.

FAINT HEART.

"Oh, Brer Nicholas, I do love you so!"

Nicholas rode back with a gloomy brow, but as he drew near the house he began to sing, with forced gayety, the popular refrain, "Tallahassee Girls," for he had caught a glimpse of his little sister, sitting alone on the horse block, in the dim twilight, waiting for his return.

"Dear little sister," he sighed, even in the midst of his singing; "if she were but nearer my own age!" Then he varied the words of his song, the better to suit the case:

"Oh, my Tallahassee girl, won't you mount up with me,
And ride by the light of the moon!"

Up jumped Missy, and stood on the horse block, clapping her hands as she divined her brother's purpose. He was going to stop! He was going to take her on the saddle in front of him! Glorious Brer Nicholas!

She climbed up nimbly as a squirrel. "There ain't no moon risen yet," she said, with a childish giggle of supreme content. "But we ain't afraid! Oh, Brer Nicholas, I do love you so!" It was, perhaps, the twentieth time she had said this since his return, three days before.

"How much do you love me?" Nicholas asked, with a great craving for love's support.

"Mo'n anybody else in all the world," Missy answered, with emphatic decision.

"Oh, monstrous!" cried Nicholas, so much moved that he was constrained to speak lightly. "I suppose you could undertake to fight dragons for me?"

"Dragons?" contemptuously. "I could fight—the devil and all his works."

"What in the world?"— exclaimed Nicholas, with a burst of laughter.

"Well," said Missy, discreetly, "them's the strongest words I could use, bein' a girl. They're in the catechism," she added, by way of recommendation, "or the baptism, I forget which."

"Missy, Missy, I'm afraid you're a sad pickle!"

"I'm goin' to be very good now, since I've got you home. I'll do just everything to please you. I'm all the sister you've got."

"Yes! you're all the sister I've got! Oh, Missy, how I wish you were older!"

"H'm!" said Missy, not at all complimented. "Then I'd be a young lady at the pianner, like my cousin Flora, always afraid of spoiling my clothes. Bound you wouldn't get her to ride double, this er way."

"I shouldn't think of asking her," laughed Nicholas.

"No," Missy asserted, comfortably, "I'm nicer than her." She was bitterly jealous of Flora.

The family were at tea when the brother and sister came in, Missy clinging to Nicholas' arm.

"How you do spoil that child," said Mrs. Leonard Thorne. She disapproved of Missy's "ways" with Nicholas; in fact, disapproved of Missy altogether.

"No," said Missy, with a motherly air, "it's me what spoils him."

The colonel frowned. "Flora," he said, "I wish you would undertake to smooth my little daughter."

"Is she a flat iron?" said Missy, pertly, stuffing her handkerchief into her mouth.

Nicholas and Flora exchanged glances and frankly smiled.

"Winifred!" expostulated Miss Elvira; but Missy had seen her brother smile and she cared naught for her Aunt Elvira.

In the privacy of her own room that night Mrs. Leonard Thorne expressed the opinion that Winifred Thorne was born to be a mortification to her family. "She makes herself a perfect nuisance to Nicholas."

"Oh, ma!" Flora remonstrated; and, seeing that her mother was bent upon talking about Nicholas, she began to comb her beautiful, luxuriant hair over her eyes.

"Not but that it's very admirable in Nicholas to be so indulgent toward her. I always did justice to Nicholas' good qualities. He may have been a little wild, but what of that? All young men of spirit are restive under restraint. My brother-in-law, the colonel, demands perfection in his son and heir—as if he were anywhere near perfection himself."

"Oh, ma!" said Flora again. You know Uncle Jasper never was—like Nicholas."

"No, he never was," repeated Mrs. Thorne, with emphasis. "Catch Col. Thorne confessing his follies and shortcomings, as Nicholas has to me. That is what I call honorable in the highest degree. It's what most young men wouldn't do—under the circumstances. I always knew he would come out right in time. And what a property he will have, Flora! Three fine plantations, besides the Ferndale place to be divided between him and that little monkey of a Missy. Then your Aunt Elvira will probably leave all she has to Nicholas; he always was her favorite. And Nick is so pleasant; he hasn't lost any of his bright spirits."

"I don't know about that, ma," said the more observant Flora, behind her brown tresses. "My Cousin Nicholas hasn't such bright spirits as he'd like to have a body believe. They are too bright; and he is moody enough when he thinks nobody is noticing. And then"——

"And then?" repeated Mrs. Thorne, all attention.

"He is in another scrape, I fancy," said Flora, slowly. "There is certainly something weighing on his mind."

"Or his heart?" suggested Mrs. Thorne.

It afforded Miss Flora's mamma exquisite enjoyment to watch the progress of affairs between Nicholas and her daughter. It was like a vivified novel, and upon no account would she have been willing to see this romance hurried to a precipitate conclusion with the music of marriage bells. It was quite the proper thing that the young lady should be coy and disdainful, denying her true feelings and flirting with a rival, while the young gentleman distrusted his own desert, counterfeited gayety, and was a prey to gloom; all this was too delicious to be marred by inconsiderate haste.

Never had Mrs. Thorne seen devotion so delicate as that displayed by Nicholas. Every morning, immediately after breakfast, he hastened away to see about the work on his aunt's house; every noon he returned with suggestions for improvements and conveniences that he detailed to Mrs. Thorne, with an interest and enthusiasm that took her vanity captive. Devotion to Flora's mamma was sure to be appreciated by Mrs. Thorne; it was the dream of her heart that her son-in-law should be in love with herself. Furnival was now at work upon the house, and it pleased Mrs. Thorne to fancy that the impetuous Nicholas must worry the life out of that dilatory mechanic.

"Not that I am in haste to have you leave us, aunt, you understand," said Nicholas, blushing, when rallied upon his energy in pushing on the work.

Mrs. Thorne thought she did understand perfectly. It was out of the question that Flora should be married in any other house than her mother's. Furnival had been heard to say to Nicholas: "When a boy lak you takes a marryin' notion he stands fair to make a durned fool of himself." That Furnival, the carpenter, should presume to make such a speech to Col. Thorne's son was immensely amusing to Mrs. Leonard Thorne. She tried to persuade Nicholas to tell her what had provoked it, but Nicholas only turned scarlet and quickly changed the subject.

When he was not with Furnival Nicholas devoted himself to Flora, doing all that a young man may to win a maiden's favor; for he did ardently desire to win his cousin's favor that he might count upon her womanly sympathy.

Missy raged over this state of things. "Brer Nicholas ain't no mo' use to me than a settin' hen," she declared. It required Glory-Ann's strictest vigilance to keep the child from dogging the steps of the two young people.

As for Flora, she was sorely perplexed. Nicholas had never been so attractive to her as now. Alone with his pretty cousin, he abandoned all pretence to gayety, and gave himself up to a sadness that was not without its fascination for a young girl's heart; and there were moments when Flora hardly knew whether she preferred her cousin or Aleck Gage.

And there was Aleck Gage coming every few days. "Wonder what makes him such a fool?" was the colonel's unspoken comment. "But it's Flora's privilege to keep him dangling."

Nicholas did not quit the parlor or the piazza when Aleck came now, and he always made one of the party when a walk was proposed; but when once they were out in the shrubbery, Nicholas disappeared.

This was Missy's hour of triumph, when she pounced upon her brother, and bore him off to inspect a bird's nest, to carve her name in the bark of a tree, to make etchings with a thorn upon the leaves of the century plant.

And this was also young Aleck's hour, when he waxed eloquent and confidential; though never a hint would his sense of honor permit him to breathe of the glimpse that had been given him of Nicholas Thorne's heart.

In this state of things Flora was sorry for Nicholas, and angry with him, too. Often she fancied that he was upon the point of speaking but lacked the courage, which was indeed the case. She wished he could speak, that they might come to an understanding; and yet she dreaded to have him speak, knowing what wrath and bitterness would follow upon her answer. Every member of the family, she was well aware, would take Nicholas' part; everybody would blame her except Aleck Gage. If Nicholas would only be content to be a brother!

And all that Nicholas desired was that Flora should be to him as a sister.

CHAPTER VII.

CONFESSION.

The days went by; the moon that had lighted old Gilbert while he played the spy in Eden had waned and vanished, and the crescent that succeeded had expanded to the full orbed glory of the nights of June; the warm air was heavy with perfume and vocal with the mocking bird's rapturous song.

These were nights no lover could afford to lose, and Aleck Gage did not fail to take advantage of them; time and again was he a visitor at Thorne Hill when the colonel little suspected his presence. Nicholas and Flora would stroll out after tea, and after tea would Aleck arrive and join them in some remote alley of the extensive shrubbery.

His appearance was the signal for Nicholas to retire and meditate in solitude, a solitude that Missy did not now intrude upon. For Missy had invented a new amusement for these nights of June. With Amity as audience, and the wide scuppernong arbor on the confines of the vegetable garden to serve as a stage, she had given herself up to the fascination of private theatricals. The dusty volumes in the recesses of the dormer windows supplied her quick fancy with material, and now she was Puck, now Ariel, sometimes the Queen of Faerie, or again the Ghost in "Hamlet," a favorite character that froze the blood in Amity's veins; and not infrequently she was her genuine self, raging against her handmaiden's stupidity. All this was in preparation for a long promised visit from Lottie and Bess Henry, with whose assistance Missy hoped to accomplish something very delightful in the way of histrionic art.

No one inquired what the child was doing with herself during these moonlit hours; Glory-Ann, satisfied that her troublesome charge was somewhere with Amity, held her little court in the kitchen; the colonel and Miss Elvira and Flora's mamma talked on the back piazza, content to leave the young people the freedom of the front premises.

"Flora, my daughter, take your shawl," Mrs. Leonard always said, and it was Nicholas' privilege to wrap it around his cousin's shoulder, after which he drew her pretty hand within his arm, and surely there was abundant opportunity for him to speak in the long walk half way around the grounds.

But Nicholas talked only of indifferent things in a half hearted fashion, and when they reached the gate where usually they met Aleck Gage just dismounting he would laugh and whisper, "See the conquering hero comes," and leave Flora blushing.

It had seemed to Nicholas that the wisest thing he could do would be to take his cousin Flora into his confidence; but whenever the occasion offered his courage forsook him, his tongue refused its office. He had let slip his opportunity many times before he realized that delays are dangerous; but when once he began to feel this it was not possible for him to hesitate longer. He was sure that he could count upon Flora's sympathy, at least, even if she could do nothing to aid him, and it seemed like an omen of good fortune that, at the very moment when he began to feel so impatient to tell his cousin all, Aleck Gage should make his visit so very much shorter than usual, the cause for which was that Aleck and Flora had indulged in the luxury of a quarrel.

Nicholas saw the angry lover striding down the walk and did not hail him for a parting word. "Let him go!" he said. "For this once the sooner the better." And he rose up quickly from the bench under the mimosa tree and almost ran to seek his cousin.

Flora was in the old fashioned summer house, screened at the back by many mingling vines; the moonlight streaming through the wide archway in front revealed her, seated, with her head bowed down, her face hidden in her hands.

"Flora! Flora! My cousin!" cried Nicholas. "What is the matter?"

A terrible fear seized upon him. Could it be that Flora did not care for Aleck Gage? Or was she so dominated by her uncle's will that she dared not allow her heart fair play? But no—Flora had a will of her own. What if her uncle's wish were her wish, too? All this rushed through Nicholas' brain as Flora sprang up and demanded haughtily:

"How dare you come spying upon me?"

"I am not spying upon you, Flora," said Nicholas, as he staggered back against the wall of the summer house. "I wish to be your friend," he added, rallying himself by a supreme effort. He determined to assume that his cousin's preference was for Aleck Gage.

"Do you mean to say," cried Flora, with sudden illumination, as she went to him and laid her hand on his arm, "do you mean to say, Nick, that you—won't ask me to marry you?"

"I won't ask you to marry me," Nicholas answered and smiled—anything but a heartbroken smile, and yet it was so sad a smile that Flora was overwhelmingly sorry for him.

"Oh, Nick!" she cried, and clasped her hands around his arm and laid her head against it. "You are a dear, good fellow and I love you dearly, dearly; but you know—if you were to ask me I'd just have to say 'no,' and then there would be a dreadful time. But if only you would take my part"——

"My dearest cousin! Of course I will take your part. But then—will you go halves and take my part?" Nicholas asked tremulously and with an uneasy laugh.

"You know I will," said Flora, who was far from suspecting her cousin's meaning. "Why, I should be the basest ingrate not to stand up for you as if I were your sister."

Nicholas put his arm around her, and just then the mocking bird in the thicket behind them suddenly ceased its song, and fluttered through the foliage with a quick, short, unmelodious chirp. "I trust it is not an omen of ill, Flora," said he, glancing over his shoulder, "that the bird should so abruptly cease its song."

"I don't believe in omens," returned Flora, impatiently. "I believe in my own determination."

"I was thinking of myself," said Nicholas, with an uncontrollable shiver, "not of you." He took both her hands in his, and looked in her face—and smiled. "But with you to take my part, you who can understand how love comes unbidden"——

"Yes, dear Nick," said Flora, softly. "I can understand. I will always be on your side, whatever my uncle may say."

Flora was far from exulting in the thought that her cousin loved her hopelessly, but she found it exquisitely interesting to feel herself thus beloved.

"I do not know how it is—I cannot tell how it began," said Nicholas, with almost a sob in his voice, "but—I love one who is so dear and beautiful and good." He dropped Flora's hands and clasped his own with intensity of feeling. "Love her! But she can never please my father. There is my bitter trouble."

It seemed to Flora as if she heard these words in a dream; and yet she fully and instantly understood him as she never hitherto had understood him. Instinctively she recoiled from him; it was not in the nature of the case that she should not feel resentment at this unexpected discovery that, after all, Nicholas had never been in love with herself; that his sighs and his sadness were, after all, not for her.

"I hope, Nicholas," said she, with a little air of virtuous superiority, "I do hope you have not fixed your affections upon some one beneath you?"

"No," said Nicholas, lifting his head proudly; "I have set my affections upon one infinitely above me—in all that is lovely and of good report," he added, with a bitter laugh. "And I love her with all the strength that Aleck Gage loves you, if that is any criterion," he continued, fast losing his self control. "And, thank God, Dosia loves me."

"Dosia—Furnival?" cried Flora, clasping her hands and drawing away from him by a sudden, almost violent movement. "Cousin Myrtilla's protégé? And you expect us to countenance her? Oh, Nicholas! Nicholas! you cannot be in earnest? You must break away, and at once, from all this."

"I am in earnest," Nicholas answered. His face was pale; his voice shook; he was very angry. "And as to breaking away—Dosia is my wife, Flora; respect her."

"Your wife?" Flora gasped, and sank upon the bench. "Oh, my uncle! It will break his heart!"

"It ought not to break his heart," said Nicholas, coldly. "She has saved his son."

"How will you ever tell him? How will he ever be able to bear it?" Flora asked, bitterly.

"Oh, Flora!" cried Nicholas, "it is my study by night and day how to break it to him. I love my father in spite of all; but Dosia is my very life! I dread so his visiting his wrath upon her in any way. I could not bear to have her wounded—I—I—could hate—but oh! I do so wish to have my father and my Aunt Elvira—all of you, welcome her."

"They never will; we never can," said Flora, bursting into miserable tears of distress and fright.

Nicholas sat down beside her, and put his hand on hers. "But you, dear Flora," he said beseechingly, "you who know what it is to be tenderly beloved"——

Flora was touched. "What can I do, Nicholas?" she faltered. "Oh, it is dreadful!" she sobbed. "How could you"——

"Oh, Flora!" Nicholas broke in, "if you would try to make them understand they might listen to you. She has been the saving of me. I was going on in my bad courses, reckless and defiant in my lonely exile; I fell into bad company, over there at Sunrise; and there was a quarrel, in which I got a bad cut. My father knows nothing of it; but I should have died had it not been for the Furnivals—and Dosia. Ah, if you really knew her. She is far superior to these other Furnivals; she is educated, and she is so good. And, poor girl, her mother has just died."

"How could you marry in secret?" said Flora, with a touch of indignation she could not curb. Her sympathies were entirely with her uncle.

"I will tell you why," said Nicholas, nettled, "it was done in haste"——

"To be repented at leisure," said Flora, with a fresh burst of tears. "Oh, Nicholas!"

"No such thing!" cried Nicholas, hotly. "You shall know the truth, Flora. Until three days before I came up from Sunrise, I had no thought of marrying Dosia without speaking to my father; but my father wrote to me and laid down the law—you know what he has always wished. He insisted"——

But Nicholas, angry though he was, had it not in him to tell his cousin that he had been commanded to ask her in marriage, and that he had married suddenly the girl he loved, to escape obeying that command; nevertheless, Flora understood.

"It would have been useless," she said stiffly.

"Her mother was dying," Nicholas continued, sadly, "and I did not know when I could go back to Dosia; so we were married beside her mother's death bed. Of course it was intended to be kept a secret for the present. Nobody knows except her father and the preacher who married us; her mother died, as you know."

"It is a miserable business," said Flora, with fresh tears. Nicholas sighed; his anger was exhausted. "And I do not know what is to be done, Nicholas. Oh, it will make everything so unhappy for all of us. Is there no possible way to undo it?"

"Just heaven, Flora!" exclaimed Nicholas, recoiling. "What manner of woman are you? Undo it? Never, while I live! My father must bear it, all of you must bear it, as such things may be borne. I am neither sorry nor ashamed that Dosia is my wife; understand that, once for all. And I shall tell my father now, as soon as I can."

"Oh, Nicholas, you might wait until ma and I are at home again," Flora entreated. "We could do no good—and it would be so—so—uncomfortable for us. You might show some consideration for us."

Nicholas did not reply for some moments; when at last he spoke, it was to say coldly:

"I will wait; you shall not be called upon to take my part."

Flora felt the reproach, but she felt it as a wrong. "You cannot expect ma and me to be willing to be subjected to unpleasant scenes," she said; "and what could I do? Married to Dosia Furnival! Oh, Nicholas! it is as if you were dead!"

"I dare say it will result in my being as good as dead to all my kindred," returned Nicholas, gloomily; "but that cannot make me regret that Dosia is my wife; nothing can make me sorry for that." And he rose; he had said his last word.

Flora rose, too; she felt that there was nothing more to be said.

With one consent the cousins went into the house, each conscious of carrying a tell tale face, and each shrinking instinctively from the scrutiny that they knew awaited them upon their entrance. But just as they came in a scene was enacting upon the back gallery that diverted attention from Flora and Nicholas.

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1. Single walled hives. I have no experience with double walled hives.—J. M. Hambaugh.

1. Single walled hives. 2, 3 and 4. I never had a double walled hive. Perhaps I ought to try one. 5. They are lighter to move.—C. C. Miller.

1. Single walled, only. 2. I do not know. 3. No. 4. Yes. 5. It is lighter and more easily handled. 6. No.—C. H. Dibbern.

1. I use both. 2. One inch dead air space and ⅞ inch lumber. 3. Yes. 4. With me the bees winter better and do better in summer. 6. Yes.—M. Mahin.

1. Single walled. I winter the bees in the cellar and pack with chaff in the spring. 3. Yes. 4. Some say yes and some no. My experience has been too limited to be of value.—A. B. Mason.

1. I use both, but prefer the single walled hive. 2. About 3 inches, ⅞ or ⅝ lumber, as preferred. 3. It is better so. 4. Certainly; they protect from cold and heat. 5. Cheaper, lighter, and, if well packed, as good in the spring. 6. I think not.—A. J. Cook.

1. Mostly double walled. 2. I use a 5-inch space filled with fine straw. 3. I do not. 4. Yes. The bees are protected from extreme heat and cold. 5. Not any, except portability. 6. I think so, or I should not use them.—G. M. Doolittle.

1. Both. We have some hives with a ⅜-inch inner wall, ⅜-inch dead air space, and ⅞-inch outer wall, and like them well. 3. No; and yet it might pay. 4. Yes, that this outer wall acts as a protection to the hive against cold winds and very cold weather. 5. Cheapness. 6. Yes, we think so.—Dadant & Son.

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Whatever Senator Emery has accomplished during the late campaign in this county, he has uniformly [illegible] that secretary [illegible] should succeed in receiving the endorsement of this county even if he lost it.

Mr. Watson having received the recommendation of McKean, Warren and [illegible] counties, he will have [illegible] of the eighteen votes in the congressional convention and his nomination will probably be made unanimous.

Hon. Richard Vaux, ex Mayor of Philadelphia, has received the Congressional nomination in the Third (Philadelphia) district of this State, Senator McAleer and Representative [illegible], the two opposing candidates, withdrawing in his favor. Mr Vaux is a pronounced free-trader and he may find it up-hill business to be elected in a district heretofore represented by that great protectionist, Samuel J. Randall.

It has been practically decided by the Republicans of the House that the river and harbor bill, carrying an appropriation of something like $25,000,000, shall not pass at the present session. A number of other measures involving more or less heavy appropriations will also be quietly shelved and it will not be surprising if the Democratic campaign cry of "extravagant appropriations" shall be turned against that party in the coming Congressional campaign by the fact of the total amount of money appropriated by the first session of the Fifty-first Congress being less than that appropriated by the first session of the Fiftieth Congress, when the Democrats had a majority in the House.

A complete summary of the proceedings of Tuesday's convention will be found elsewhere in this paper. Our time has been so much taken up since the close of the convention with business which could not be postponed that we have not found time to write what we would like in reference to the action of that body. The decisions [illegible] will be generally acquiesced in by the Republicans of McKean county, although a few [illegible] are disappointed because they failed in carrying their programme out. Loyal Republicans will not sulk in their tents if they cannot have everything just as they want it. They will pull off their coats and take a hand in downing the common enemy.

The speculations which were sent to the Pittsburgh *Times* and Philadelphia *Press* as to what might have been accomplished by the Delamater forces in [illegible] convention in the absence of [illegible]. There has been no time since the campaign opened when there could be any doubt as to the attitude of the Republican party of McKean county on the gubernatorial question. It has been overwhelmingly for Mr. Stone and if left to a popular vote it would be four for him to one for any one of the several candidates and if it had not been for the severe storm of Saturday night he would have had at least six if not eight more votes in the convention. The idea that the delegates who were sent to vote for him could have been wheedled or even bribed to support any other candidate in any combination that might have been created is an assumption unworthy of serious attention.

Major McKinley opened the tariff debate in the House with a good, strong, sensible speech in favor of the McKinley tariff bill and defining in a nutshell the position of the Republican party on the question. He said "If any one thing was settled by the political contest of 1888 it was that the protective policy as promulgated by the Republican party in its platform and maintained by the Republican party through a long series of years, should be secured in any legislation which is to be had by a Congress chosen in that great contest and upon that mastering issue. * * * The people have spoken, and they ask of this Congress to register their will and embody their verdict into public law. If this bill shall become a law the revenues of the government will be diminished from fifty to sixty millions of dollars per annum." It is expected that the final vote will be taken on Tuesday next.

The *Era* is somewhat exercised over the action of the chairman of Tuesday's convention in the appointment of a Committee on Credentials. Did the editor of the *Era* ever hear of an instance where a majority of the credentials committee was given to the minority party of a convention? Would it make any difference as to the action of a committee whether one or two members of it were selected from the minority? In this case Hon. Loyal Ward of Bradford and Nelson Perkins of Kane, two of the strongest men in the convention, Mr. Ward representing the Stone and Mr. Perkins the Delamater interests, were made members of that committee. The other members were F. W. Sprague of Otto, H. B. Day of Foster and N. C. Gallup of Norwich, three honorable and high minded men as there are in the county, men who would scorn to do a dishonorable act even if they thought it would come to their advantage to do it. The fact that Mr. Perkins endorsed the report and that it received the unanimous approval of the convention is sufficient answer to the suggestion that the committee was packed.

REPUBLICAN COUNTY CONVENTION.

Tuesday was a big day in Smethport. The convention brought large delegations to the county seat to fight for the election of delegates to the State Convention and a Congressional nominee. Pursuant to call of the County Committee, the convention convened about 2 10 p. m., at the court house, 64 delegates being present. Chairman Weaver called the convention to order and after the roll was called stated that nominations for permanent chairman were in order. F. A. Lyte, of Kane, and L. Rogers, of Smethport were nominated. The vote for chairman resulted in 30 votes being cast for Lyte and 33 for Rogers.

On assuming the chair Mr Rogers made a few remarks, thanking the convention for the honor conferred upon him and counseling harmony.

R. A. Rice, of Eldred, J. L. Ward, of Bradford and Porter Brown, of Bradford, were elected secretaries. F. W. Sprague of Otto, Loyal Ward, of Bradford, N. C. Gallup of Norwich, Nelson Perkins of Kane and H. B. Day of Foster were appointed a committee on credentials.

To this committee were referred the matter of the contested delegates of Eldred borough, a petition alleging that Messrs Nowell, Pall, Wilson, Eagles, Howells and McElwaine were Prohibitionists and illegally voted for H. H. Adsit and B. P. Smith, of the third ward, Bradford, also a petition from the 2d Lafayette district claiming that Delegate Bartlett was a Democrat and not entitled to a seat in the convention.

D. C. Young, W. W. Trace, A. B. McQuarrie, H. H. Adsit and C. B. Roberts were appointed a committee on resolutions.

While the convention awaited the report of the committee on credentials, which had retired, John P. Zane, J. P. McClure, W. W. Brown, F. R. Mayo, F. A. Lyte and L. N. Barnsdall were called upon for speeches but all declined to respond. The Chair on behalf of Delegate Young, of Keating, extended an invitation to Jeremiah Chadwick of this place for a speech. Mr Chadwick stated that Mr Young would not care to hear him very long if he condescended to talk.

The committee on credentials at last reported deciding that O. B. Young and A. C. Douglass were entitled to seats in the convention, from Eldred and against the claims of the Lafayette and Bradford contestants. At the request of Mr Douglass H. G. Heath, one of the contestants, represented the borough of Eldred in his place.

The convention then proceeded to nominate candidates for delegates to the State Convention. Hon. W. W. Brown and A. I. Wilcox were named for the Stone delegates and A. F. Bannon and Joshua Davis for the Delamater. The first ballot resulted in 37 votes being cast for Messrs Brown and Wilcox and 31 for Bannon and Davis. On the announcement of the vote the cheering was fairly deafening.

The next business in order was the nomination of candidate for Congress, when Hon. L. Emery Jr., Hon. L. F. Watson and S. W. Smith, Esq., were placed in nomination. The nomination of Mr. Emery was seconded in an able speech by Capt. W. B. Chapman. The vote at the close of the first ballot stood Watson 29, Emery 27 and Smith 11. Sixty seven votes were cast, A. Willoughby refusing to vote. Another ballot was taken which resulted in the choice of L. F. Watson, who received 39 votes, Emery receiving 28. The entire Smith vote with one exception went to Watson thus deciding the contest.

The Committee on Resolutions reported the following which were unanimously adopted after which the convention adjourned *sine die*:

Be it Resolved. That the Republicans of McKean county in convention assembled, pointing to an unbroken record of Republican majorities for our State and National tickets for the past 25 years, declare it to be the determined purpose of the Republicans of this county that our majorities shall increase from year to year.

Resolved. That having no [illegible] with respect to the nomination of candidates for the offices of Governor of the Commonwealth and Representative in Congress, we believe it to be quite regular, in accord with the political system of Pennsylvania and necessary to the maintenance of Republican supremacy that the merits of candidates shall be weighed before the nominations rather than afterwards. Hence we regard with extreme solicitude the officious suggestion that the province of the convention is one of ratification instead of popular expression and we resolutely declare that such an insidious suppression of Republican will cannot have sway in this Commonwealth without challenging that independent action which we earnestly deprecate and have never failed to condemn.

Resolved. That we present to the Republican party of Pennsylvania the name of Hon. C. W. Stone of Warren, for the office of Governor of the Commonwealth, a nomination which comes up from the heart of the people here and elsewhere throughout this portion of the commonwealth and that will command admiration for its fitness and its strength, one that will stand for victory in time of need and signalize the advancement of all the common interests of the party and the State.

Resolved. That the delegates chosen to represent this county in the State Convention be, and they are accordingly instructed to vote for and support the nomination of Hon. Charles W. Stone for Governor.

Resolved, That we recommend the nomination of Hon. Lewis F. Watson as the Republican candidate for Congress, and empower him to appoint five conferees to represent McKean county in the Congressional Nominating Conference.

THE WORLD'S FAIR IN CHICAGO.

The bill authorizing and endorsing on behalf of the United States the holding of a World's Fair in Chicago in 1892-93 has finally passed both houses of Congress and received the signature of the President. Rivalry between different cities as to where the fair should be held some time ago ceased to be an element in the matter, and Chicago has been the unopposed in this respect, but the long delay in making the final authorization by the government had begun to lead people to think that possibly we were not to have any fair at all. Now, however, it is high time for the beginning of actual work, if we are to make the fair the national success it should be, and worthily representative of our position and progress in all the arts, sciences and industries.

The possibility of a high degree of success in such endeavor is, moreover, greatly increased by the fact that Congress has virtually given another year for preparation. That is, although there will be exercises commemorative of the landing of Columbus in October, 1892, the fair proper will not be opened until the spring of 1893. There is also added to the bill a section directing the holding of a naval review in New York harbor in April, 1893, and foreign nations are to be invited to send ships of war to join the United States Navy in rendezvous at Hampton Roads, Va., and proceed thence to take part in the review.

FROM THE STATE CAPITAL.

[From our own Correspondent]

HARRISBURG, May 12.—The moves on the political chess board in the past few days have been of much interest and results that seemed certain ten days ago, to-day seem the most improbable. All eyes, I mean Democratic eyes, are turned towards Philadelphia, where a most active campaign is being waged for the Quaker city's favorite Democratic son, ex-Governor R. E. Pattison, and it is now quite probable that he will get the solid delegation from that city to the Democratic Convention that will convene at Scranton on the 2d day of July next. The Wallace faction does not like the appearance of things and are bustling around lively to stem the tide that seemingly has set in against the Clearfield statesman. It was manifested very strongly in the meeting of the Democratic Executive Committee at its meeting in our city recently. The Wallace men fought hard for a very early date for the meeting of the State Convention, thinking by such a move the opposition that has been growing to Wallace might be headed off, but the majority favored a date after the Republican nomination had been made for several reasons, chief among them was a desire to know who the Republicans might name and that would or ought to decide the Democratic nominee. In short the majority of the Committee were opposed to rushing blindly into the Wallace camp because they felt that he was not the man to name for a winning campaign. Philadelphia's active campaign for Pattison and the effect this move has had on other portions of the State, has alarmed the Wallace people and it is not uncommon now to hear the opinion expressed that "Wallace does not really want the nomination unless it is given him by a practically unanimous vote of his convention." This now seems impracticable and as a result the Clearfield man is preparing to crawfish. His adherents however, are resorting to printer's ink and are throwing all sorts of mud (I mean theoretical mud) at Pattison, and have raked up even his record of a former term and spread it before the Democratic readers of the State.

Bill Scott, Hensel, of Lancaster and ex Postmaster Harrity of Philadelphia, is the wicked triumvirate that proposes to beat Wallace with Pattison and have pooled their issues, so the Wallace men assert, to fasten up on the Democracy of the State the most objectionable candidate that can be named. This opinion is backed up by parading before the reading public ex Governor Pattison's record at great length and which shows him to be a bad, bad man. We all know Wallace is pure, immaculately pure. His record in years gone by when he was in active politics is about the same as the average politician who goes in to win not caring at all about the methods adopted to gain the end wished for. But it is funny to hear the Wallace men calling Pattison names, ugly ones too, and to show that complete unity and harmony exists in the great Democratic party of the Keystone the spirited factional contests need only be referred to. Peace will reign supreme only when the lion (Wallace) and the lamb (Pattison) shall lie down calmly together. Such peace will come when the lion shall lie down with the lamb inside the lion.

Ex lieutenant Governor Black who carries around with him in his vest pocket, the votes of the National and State Democratic league clubs smiled a pleasant smile in the capital city a short time ago. He is out for Wallace. His veneration for the memory of his father absolutely precludes his support of Pattison and the buoyancy of his hopes in the happening of the unexpected bolsters him up with the expectancy of political favors when the Democratic Convention meets. He asserts that his nomination would cement and solidify the Democratic vote and of course Pennsylvania would elect a Democratic Governor.

But summing up the outlook in the Democratic field, it seems to be anything to beat Wallace and while an ally may seem that intense interest is taken in the coming gubernatorial nomination let me venture to assert that the live issue in the Democratic plans this fall is not who shall be the party's Governor, as which faction of the party shall control the delegates to the next Democratic National Convention. In a few words, the coming nomination will decide the Keystone delegation for 1892 Cleveland or somebody else for President on the party's ticket in that year.

Whatever the issue to the Democracy this fall and whoever the candidate for that party's suffrages the old Keystone State with obstinate regularity will show the Democracy under again with from 90,000 to 100,000 majority against Democratic issues and candidates.

The Republican primaries in Lancaster county on Saturday evening, May 3d were the most exciting the county has had for many years past. The county ticket was as long as the moral law, but the main interest was the endorsement of Martin for the nomination of Lieutenant Governorship—it was, too, to mean that the delegates were his to use in his own interest as he saw proper and best. The Governorship was not to be an element in the contest at all. The Delamater adherents determined, however, to get in some work for *their* candidate wherever it was possible. As a result General Hastings' admirers named a set of delegates who were known as the Martin-Hastings delegates and an active canvass was made for their election. The result was the displeasure of Candidate Martin, who protested against this proceeding as he claimed that the delegates were for Martin alone and not in the interest of any one of the candidates for the nomination of Governor. Considerable bad feeling was occasioned and the canvass waged warm. The result of the primaries was a straight out delegation for Martin, uninstructed beyond that and the defeat of the Hastings combination, except possibly in the city of Lancaster. By some it is claimed that the majority of the delegates chosen will be for Hastings for Governor, but the action of General Hastings' friends during the canvass has displeased the Martin faction and it is predicted that those delegates who have been instructed for Martin, and which he controls, will not, under the circumstances, be thrown to Hastings.

ALCROFT.

LITERARY NOTES.

Last month we visited Washington through the pages of Demorest's Family Magazine, and enjoyed the very interesting views of the exterior of the White House and its surroundings. This month, in the June number of this popular Magazine (which has just arrived), we enter the Executive Mansion, and are treated to a ramble through its corridors, its executive and private apartments. We thus participate in the special favor shown to Demorest's Magazine as we are introduced to many features not usually seen by general public. The White House has never before been so fully and beautifully illustrated, and the numerous handsome pictures which the article contains, including portraits of "Baby McKee," Mrs. Harrison, and the three generations now residing in the White House, make it especially interesting to every American father, mother, and child. This number also contains a picture of four of mother's darlings, "Out for an Airing," which is a superb water-color equal in design and execution to those selling at a high price at the art stores. "Athletics for Women" is also finely illustrated and "The Lady Tramp" will no doubt start many of "Our Girls" off on that healthful exercise, for it tells them just what to do and what to wear when doing it. All the other Departments are full to overflowing with entertaining and helpful matter, and the stories are particularly good. A remarkable 20 cents worth, surely. Published by W. Jennings Demorest, 15 East 14th St., New York.

REV. DR. WITHROW'S OPINION.

I have had occasion to read a large number of books of African exploration, including nearly everything that Stanley has published on the subject. I do not hesitate to say that I regard Mr. J. W. Buel's "Heroes of the Dark Continent" as the most satisfactory account of exploration and discovery in the Dark Continent, from the earliest period down to and including the relief of Emin Pasha, that I have met. The man who condenses the numerous books on this subject, giving in one volume a comprehensive account of Bruce, Speke, Livingstone, Baker, Gordon and Stanley has rendered a valuable service to busy people in this busy world. The greater part of this book has been given to Stanley, 250 of its large pages being devoted to the stirring story of the rescue of Emin Pasha. This is a narrative sufficiently full for every practical purpose and is largely made up of Stanley's own letters to Sir W. Mackinnon, President of the East Africa Company and Chairman of the Emin Pasha Relief Committee. There are also important letters from Emin Pasha, Herbert Ward, and other members of the famous expedition. The book is excellently printed. The horrors of the slave trade are very graphically portrayed, proving the truth of Livingstone's saying that the nefarious traffic is the "open sore of the world."

H. W. WITHROW.

Court Proclamation.

[illegible] Peace, Orphans' [illegible] county of McKean [illegible] Court of Common Pleas [illegible] at the Court House in Smethport [illegible] the 26th day of May [illegible] Coroners, Justices of the Peace and Constables within [illegible] county of McKean [illegible]

Dated at Smethport May [illegible] 1890, and in the [illegible] year of the Independence of the United States of America.

W. B. CLARKE, Sheriff.

SHERIFF'S SALES

BY VIRTUE OF SUNDRY WRITS OF FIERI Facias, Levari Facias and Venditioni Exponas issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean county, Pa., and to me directed, I will expose at public sale at the Court House in the borough of Smethport, on

MONDAY, JUNE 2, 1890, AT 1 P. M.,

the following described pieces of property:

1

Defendant's interest in all that certain lot [illegible] of ground [illegible] warrant [illegible] Township, McKean county and State of Pennsylvania [illegible] north side of [illegible] street [illegible] Western New York and Pennsylvania Railroad [illegible] Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of [illegible] Tate [illegible] at the suit of [illegible]

W. [illegible] Attorney

2

Defendant's interest in all that [illegible] piece or parcel of land situate [illegible] in the borough of [illegible] county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit [illegible] Lucy A. Varnum [illegible] New York and Pennsylvania Railroad [illegible] Improved and having thereon one two-story frame building [illegible] with one-story shed [illegible] barber shop and dwelling, and usual out buildings.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Jacob A. [illegible] Carey and Nettie E. Carey his wife and S. H. [illegible] Tenant at the suit of The Genesee Brewing Company of Rochester, N. Y.

F. R. Mayo, Plaintiff's Attorney

3

Defendant's interest in all that certain piece, parcel or tract of land situate, lying and being in the township of Eldred, county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: On the north by the highway, on the west by the lands of T. C. Watson and — Foster and Arthur [illegible] on the east by lands of Almon Carpenter, deceased and Wm. A. Winfield and on the south by lands of Ralph Roberts. Containing [illegible] acres, more or less, and being the same land devised to Daniel J. Stull by [illegible] deceased, by his will dated Sept. 7, 1877, and recorded in the Register's office in and for McKean county in Register's Docket [illegible], page [illegible], etc. Improved and having thereon one frame house, one frame barn, one blacksmith shop, a good orchard, about [illegible] acres improved and well watered.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Daniel Stull at the suit of G. N. McKay.

5

Defendant's interest in all that certain piece, parcel or village lot of land situate, lying and being in the village and township of Eldred, county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows to-wit: Beginning at a point in the centre of Main street in said village at the north-east corner of lot now owned and occupied by S. Lightfoot, thence westerly by said Lightfoot's north line one hundred and eighty feet, more or less, to the east line of the Buffalo, New York and Philadelphia Railroad; thence southerly along said railroad line sixty-six feet to the south-west corner of lot now owned by [illegible]; thence easterly along the south line of said lot one hundred and seventy-five (175) feet to the centre of Main street; thence northerly along said centre of Main street sixty-six feet to the place of beginning. Being the same land conveyed by Enos Emerson to Andrew J. Emerson by deed dated March 18, 1885, and recorded in the Recorder's office of McKean county March 20, 1885, in Deed Book Vol. 24, page 131, etc. Improved and having thereon one two story frame building used as a harness shop and dwelling house, one barn, one well of water and usual out buildings.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of A. J. Emerson at the suit of Kushequa [illegible] Bank, now use of G. G. Kilbury.

6

Defendant's interest in all that piece, parcel or tract of land situate, lying and being in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and in the county of McKean, bounded and described as follows, viz: Beginning at a post the north east corner of land contracted to Margaret Baker, in No. 511, being in the centre of the old road; thence north eighty-two (82) perches to a post, the south-westerly corner of lot No. 377, thence east seventy-four and two-tenths (74 2-10) perches to a post corner of the same, thence south thirty (30) degrees, east sixty-one (61) perches to a post corner of the same in the centre of the old road; thence by centre of road south eighty-eight (88) degrees, west fifty-eight and eight-tenths (58 8-10) perches, south sixty-five degrees, west thirty-five and four-tenths [illegible] degrees, west twenty-two and [illegible] degrees [illegible] containing thirty-five and four-tenths acres, strict measure, be the same more or less, being lot No. [illegible] of the allotment of [illegible] lands in Liberty township and part of warrant No. [illegible] and being the same land deeded to Benjamin Main by Eaton A. [illegible] and wife and Charles A. Dolley and wife by deed dated April 15, 1887, and recorded in the Recorder's office in and for McKean county in Deed Book, Vol. "14," page 131, etc. Improved and having thereon one one-and-a-half-story frame dwelling house, about [illegible] feet with one-story addition on the side, one frame barn about 30x40 feet, a good orchard containing about 50 trees, one spring of water, about thirty acres improved, and usual out buildings.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Benjamin Main at the suit of M. A. Lillibridge and Charles A. Dolley now use of A. [illegible] Lillibridge and Charles A. Dolley.

O. F. Snyder, Plaintiff's Attorney

7

Defendant's interest in all that certain piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in Bradford city, McKean county, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: [illegible] lot of the lands formerly owned by Bayne, Ammann and Kennedy as per survey of Geo. T. [illegible] surveyor and being situate on the south-east corner of Amm and Bishop streets in said city and having a frontage of 25 feet on Amm street and 80 feet on Bishop street and having erected thereon one two-story frame dwelling house and one one-and-a-half story frame cottage, with usual out buildings.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Frank A. Newel, Admr. of the Estate of [illegible] S. Bishop, deceased, at the suit of [illegible] A. Newel, Admr. of the Estate of Ruby S. [illegible]

W. B. & J. L. Chapman, Plff's Atty's

8

Defendant's interest in all that lot of land in Smethport borough, McKean county, State of Pennsylvania, described as follows: Bounded north by [illegible] east by land of [illegible] Smith, south by land of J. W. Brennan and west by land of William Gingley, being a lot 50 feet front and [illegible] feet extending back [illegible] feet. Improved and having thereon one two-story frame dwelling house with a one-story kitchen attached, a few fruit trees and usual out buildings.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of W. S. McCarty at the suit of Moore, Roberts & Co., now use of John N. Appl.

9

Defendant's interest in all that certain piece or village lot of land situate, lying and being in the borough of Eldred, county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning in the centre of Main street at the north line of the Wm. D. Lamphier land, thence north along centre of Main street 39 feet to the south line of Jerry Avery's lot, thence west along Avery's line about 20 feet to the W. N. Y. and P. Railroad line, thence south 39 feet to the Wm. D. Lamphier north line, thence along said north line east about 20 feet to the place of beginning. Containing 7,50 feet, more or less. Improved and having thereon one one-and-a-half story frame dwelling house with one and a half story wing attached and usual out buildings.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Miles Knight at the suit of S. H. Smith.

F. R. Mayo, Plaintiff's Attorney

10

Defendant's interest in all that certain piece, parcel or tract of land situate in Liberty township, McKean county and State of Pennsylvania, containing sixty-two (62) acres, being in [illegible] No. 20 [illegible] allotment [illegible] part of warrant No. 20 [illegible] and described as follows: Beginning at a hemlock the south east corner [illegible] conveyed to W. N. Strickland by Keating [illegible] No. 29, thence south [illegible] sixty-six and [illegible] perches to the north east corner [illegible] John Baker, No. 31, thence west one hundred and three [illegible] perches to the north-west corner of the same, thence north [illegible] sixty-six and three-tenths [illegible] perches to a beech the south west corner [illegible] thence east one hundred and three perches to the place of beginning. Improved and having thereon one two-story frame dwelling house with one-story addition, one frame barn, one [illegible], a good orchard, a good spring of water and about [illegible] acres improved.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Marion Baker at the suit of Henry Hamlin.

W. B. CLARKE, Sheriff.

Sheriff's office, Smethport, Pa., May 1, 1890.

Court Proclamation.

The Hon. A. G. OLMSTED, President Judge of the Court of Oyer and Terminer and general jail delivery, quarter sessions of the peace, orphans' and court of Common Pleas for the county of McKean, has issued his precept bearing date Friday, Dec. 13th, 1889, and to me directed for holding a court of common pleas at the borough of Smethport, on Tuesday, the 20th day of May, 1890, and to continue one week.

Dated at Smethport, May 1, 1890, and in the 114th year of the Independence of the United States of America.

W. B. CLARKE, Sheriff.

Notice in Divorce.

A. D. No. 14 February Term, 1888

McKEAN COUNTY, ss: THE COMMONwealth of Pennsylvania to the Sheriff of said county, greeting:

Whereas, William Ferguson did on the fourth day of December, 1887, prefer his petition to our said Judges of the said Court of Common Pleas of said county, praying for the causes therein set forth that he might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you Sarah Ferguson.

We therefore command you the said Elmira Ferguson that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever, you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport, at a Court of Common Pleas there to be held for the County of McKean, on the 1st Monday of June next, to answer the petition or libel of said William Ferguson and to show cause, if any you have, why the said William Ferguson, your husband, should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony agreeably to the Acts of Assembly in such cases made and provided. Herein fail not.

A true copy. W. B. CLARKE, Sheriff.

Chapman & Son, Libel'ant's Attorneys.

May [illegible] 1890.

Notice in Divorce.

A. D. No. 20 October Term, 1889

McKEAN COUNTY, ss: THE COMMONwealth of Pennsylvania to the Sheriff of said county, greeting:

Whereas, Almer Thomas did on the [illegible] of September 1889 prefer his petition to our said Judges of the said Court of Common Pleas of said county praying for the causes therein set forth that he might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you [illegible]

We therefore command you the said Hattie Thomas that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever, you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport at a Court of Common Pleas there to be held for the county of McKean on the 1st Monday of June next, to answer the petition or libel of said Almer Thomas and to show cause, if any you have, why the said Almer Thomas, your husband, should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony agreeably to the Acts of Assembly in such cases made and provided. Herein fail not.

A true copy. W. B. CLARKE, Sheriff.

Chapman & Son, Libel'ants Att'ys.

May 7, 1890.

Notice in Divorce.

A. D. No. 78 December Term, 1889

McKEAN COUNTY, ss: THE COMMONwealth of Pennsylvania to the Sheriff of said county, greeting:

Whereas, Mary E. Parker, by her next friend, William E. [illegible] did on the twenty-second day of October, 1889, prefer her petition to our said Judges of the said Court of Common Pleas of said County praying for the causes therein set forth that she might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you George B. Parker.

We therefore command you the said George B. Parker that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport at a Court of Common Pleas there to be held for the county of McKean on the First Monday of June next, to answer the petition or libel of said Mary E. Parker and to show cause if any you have why the said Mary E. Parker, your wife, should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony agreeably to the Acts of Assembly in such cases made and provided. Herein fail not.

A true copy. W. B. CLARKE, Sheriff.

Ormsby & McSweeney, Libellant's Att'ys.

May 7, 1890.

Notice.

THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNTS OF EXECUTORS and Administrators having been settled in the office of the Register the same will be presented for confirmation at the Orphans' Court to be held at Smethport in and for the County of McKean and state of Pennsylvania on the first Monday of June A. D. 1890:

First and final account of P. H. Hetrick, Administrator c. t. a. of the estate of W. P. Shoemaker, deceased.

First and final account of Jane Williams, executrix of the last will and testament of Almon C. Williams, deceased.

First and final account of J. T. Jones and Mary C. Blackmore, executors of the last will and testament of W. L. Blackmore, deceased.

First and final account of E. L. Keenan, Administrator of the estate of William H. Martin, deceased.

First and final account of Joshua Davis and C. V. Gillis, administrators of the estate of J. D. Leonard, deceased.

First and final account of T. F. McCarthy, Administrator of the estate of W. T. McCarthy, deceased.

First and final account of L. A. Huntington, administrator of the estate of Dewitt C. Huntington, deceased.

First and final account of Anna S. Macklem, administratrix of the estate of Robert Macklem, deceased.

Second and final account of Enoch Dudley, administrator of the estate of Calvin H. Burrows, deceased.

J. M. McELROY, Register.

H. M. CHOATE, Deputy.

Smethport, Pa., May 5, 1890.

Take Notice.

In re petition of J. M. Tait to have Mortgage satisfied	In the Court of Common Pleas of McKean Co. Pa. No. 185 February Term, 1890

To all parties concerned:

Please take notice that on the 25th day of January, A. D. 1890, J. M. Tait presented his petition to the Court of Common Pleas of McKean County, Pa., which has been entered and filed therein at the above number and term. The said petition sets forth the following facts, etc.

That on the Fourth day of February, A. D. 1884, a certain Mortgage was executed and delivered by him to D. W. C. Carroll of Pittsburg, Pa., on a tract or piece of land situate in Lafayette township, McKean county, Pennsylvania, and being a portion of lot No. 175 and including three oil wells known as wells Nos. 7, 8, and 10 to secure the payment of $2611.00 which said mortgage is recorded on Feb'y 8th 1884 in Mortgage Book vol. "H," page 45, etc., of the records of McKean county.

The petitioner further represents that he has paid all the money due and secured by said mortgage, principle and interest and that the mortgagee above named is still the legal holder thereof who has neglected to satisfy the same.

Wherefore, you the said party named, towit, D. W. C. Carroll, and any and all other parties concerned are hereby required to be and appear at a term of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean county, Pa., to be held at Smethport, Pa., on the 2d day of June, 1890, at 2 o'clock p. m. and answer the said petition.

W. B. CLARKE,

High Sheriff of McKean County Pa.

Jack & Roberts, Att'ys for Petitioner.

May 7th, 1890.

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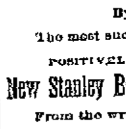

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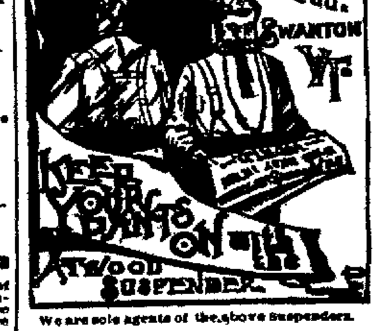

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McKean County Miner

[illegible] Associate Editor.

Smethport, Pa., May 16, 1890.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—The base ball boom wavers.

—Charming political weather.

Fishermen are waiting for high water to abate.

—It looks as if Kemmler would die a natural death.

Gifford's new mill on Mechanic street is a model one.

—The air will soon be redolent with the fragrance of the blossoms.

Quite a number have fallen into the [illegible] last Saturday night.

—Hornellsville, N. Y., was visited by a $40,000 fire on Sunday morning.

A report of the county convention will be found on the second page.

Miss Ella Herrick was elected county superintendent in Cameron county.

Lawyers and politicians were [illegible] in the county seat Tuesday.

—That "building journalist" might prove to be full blown if tampered with.

Dr. Hamilton has answered Emery about the way the latter gentleman wanted him to.

Photographer Hoffman informs us that he is kept busy shooting people just at present.

The [illegible] click of the lawn-mower now suggests paradisical reveries, or spring fever.

Janitor Dennis Quinlisk has been operating on the court house lawn with the mower of late.

—Two dusky descendants of Romulus and Remus paraded an enormous bear on the streets Monday.

—A Smethport lawyer has displayed unprecedented hardihood by resurrecting his straw hat—a relic of yore.

License court and the County Convention this week have restored the equilibrium lost after the foot race.

Mr. William Glenn and Miss Alma Crosby, both of Smethport, were united in marriage in Olean last Friday.

—We owe an apology for this issue, but hardly have sufficient excuse wherewith to apologize except that news is scarce.

The dreaded day slowly but surely approaches when we shall be again crushed by the machinations of a contemporary.

It is rumored that Editor Clark Wilson of the McKean *Democrat* proposes to remove his printing establishment to [illegible].

The Pittsburg *Times*, the Philadelphia *Press* and the Bradford *Star* and *Era* were represented at the county convention Tuesday.

—Considerable excitement has been created in Duke Centre over the alleged polygamous career of one Rev. Tuck of the United Brethren congregation.

The proceeds from the entertainment to be given by home talent next Tuesday evening will go toward the parish house to be erected by St. Luke's church.

E. A. Flounts, the accomplished job printer and foreman of the Miner office was called to Buffalo last Monday by the death of his grandson, Edwin Hulett.

Rose Hill cemetery is a most beautiful spot, but it could be improved in appearance by the planting of a row of trees through the centre of the grounds.

S. C. Sartwell, the popular landlord of the Sartwell House, Port Allegany, was in town this week, and while here he contributed $15 to the monument fund.

—The residence of Geo. Ogilvie, of Farmers Valley, was burned to the ground early last Saturday morning. The flames consumed the building so rapidly, that nothing was saved.

—Clara Louise Kellogg, the great prima donna of the opera, will appear in Bradford this evening. Quite a number of Smethport people will patronize the B. B. & K. railroad company in consequence.

—H. O. Chadwick in company with A. D. Popp, Chief of the Bradford fire department, William Hayes of Hose No. 1 and Charles Dickinson of Hose No. 2 were pleasant callers at the Miner office Monday.

—Eldred and Duke Centre was fever rid with base ball excitement. Smethport in days of yore was wont to pick up a scrub team and take the conceit out of Eldred and Port Allegany. Why wouldn't the scheme work now.

—Emma Abbott owes her start in life to Mme. Patti. The diva said she was so entranced with a lullaby the little stranger sang that she threw her arms about her, told her to get ready to go to Italy, and paid for her first year's instruction.

—The old folks concert to be produced on Tuesday evening at Kittredge opera house by Smethport's songsters promises to be a successful affair financially and otherwise. A number of favorite songs of ancestral lore have been prepared for the occasion.

—A number of papers published in our sister towns have been criticizing Smethport severely since the late foot race. Considering how credulous Bradford was roped in some time ago on the same kind of a deal, it is immaterial to her whether Smethport friends visit the sea-shore this summer or not.

—No, the town clock was not staked on the foot race last week, and the court house and jail still remain. Smethport people are as happy as ever, the air is just as eminently salubrious, the prettiest town in Pennsylvania as it was prior to the race, and enough money still remains to buy that superannuated shallop, the hatred *Eagle*, bound for the danger reefs of oblivion.

—George V. Forman has lately sold from his Lovelly Stock Farm in this city thirty seven head of thoroughbred registered Jerseys. Of these thirty-two were purchased by Wm. Cobran, of Bradford, and go to his stock farm near Saegertown, Pa.; two were purchased by Hon. Byron D. Hamlin, of Smethport and two by J. E. Jewell, Esq., for the Pleasant Valley Farm.—*Olean Times.*

—Good for the colored brother. As is generally known the Harvard orator for the year is a colored man, and now it seems that in the annual competition, in Harvard, for declamation prizes, the first prize was won by a young colored man named Irving. We congratulate him and his fellows that he is a student in a college where square dealing and fair treatment are on top.—*New York Press.*

—The running of logs over the dam above the Mechanic street bridge last Sunday attracted a large crowd to that point. Within an hour after the flume was opened the stream was filled with logs to its utmost capacity for a half mile below the dam. It was an interesting sight and one that demonstrated how rapidly and to what an extent the country is being denuded of the forests.

—Several new monuments have been erected in our cemeteries this spring, one each of the lots of Samuel Bedford, Joel Mattison, Phoebe M. Hyde and Patrick Cahill. Also one in the Colegrove cemetery to the memory of wife and children of Mr. A. D. Burbank, being the largest in that vicinity constructed of Quincy, Mass., granite, cottage design, standing nine feet high and weighing over 4,600 pounds. All of which are an improvement and credit to the cemeteries as well as the manufacturer, F. C. Foley, of Olean, N. Y.

—Taking for authority the Oswayo Valley *Mail* the editor of the McKean Miner is an "ex bark peeler." If this may be so we know of two of them in McKean county and this reminds us of the old saying "the pot shouldn't call the kettle black."—Austin *Autograph*. Although the editor in chief of the Miner never labored in the odorous precincts of the virgin forests, he would probably with the writer of this, deem it no disgrace, to be employed as a bark peeler. Such puerile attempts at revenge as are employed by the novice of the *Mail*, are ridiculed by intelligent people.

A special to the *Era* of Wednesday says: Miss Alice G. McGee, aged 21, daughter of Joseph McGee, an oil producer of Warren, was to-day admitted to practice in the Warren county Courts by Judge Wm. D. Brown. Miss McGee is handsome and intelligent and a very clever office lawyer. Her examination was the best in Warren county in 10 years. Judge Brown complimented her on her great efficiency. She studied with *Noyes & Hinckley*, and is the second woman ever admitted to practice in Pennsylvania, the other being Mrs. Carrie Kilgore who was admitted in Philadelphia a few years ago.

—J. B. Wright of Colville had a narrow escape a few days ago. In company with his wife, he was driving toward Rixford and while passing H. J. Bryan's farm he encountered a party of men engaged in shooting an oil well a few yards from the road. It was too late to retreat and Mr. Wright was advised to proceed. The shot was exploded and he narrowly escaped the charge from the well. The horse becoming frightened threw Mr. Wright and wife out of the carriage and ran into a wagon containing glycerine, nearly overturning it. A party of people were in close proximity to the wagon and had the glycerine exploded, most horrible consequences would have resulted.

—A wise king long ago said the proper division of a day's time was eight hours for work, eight for recreation and eight for sleep. Doubtless he was right in theory at least. The same question is agitating the country to-day. The practical question is, can the world's work be done in eight hours a day instead of ten or more? In Australia the eight hour plan has worked admirably since it was inaugurated April 21, 1856. That day is now celebrated there much as we celebrate the Fourth of July, and manufacturers and laborers are wont to say that they would not go back to the old way if they could. In this country it has been successfully tried in many places. A notable illustration is to be found in Akron, Ohio, where, in the manufacturing establishment of Mr. Miller the eight hour system has worked with the greatest satisfaction for three years. It will probably be working in as many more places at no distant day.—*Olean Times.*

License Court Proceedings.

Court convened on Monday at 2 p. m., Judge J. A. Morrison presiding. There has been comparatively little opposition to the liquor men this year, the remonstrance being confined to Kane and Foster Brook, the remonstrants of which sections are represented by Clinton Kane and J. M. S. Howe. There are altogether 57 petitions embracing four applications for Port Allegany.

The argument based upon the majority in the Port Allegany vote upon the constitutional amendment as a reason why license should not be granted in that place was wisely disregarded by the following remarks of the Court:

"The sentiment of many individuals who voted for the prohibitory amendment, while they favor prohibition as a State law, yet when they fail in obtaining that law are in favor of granting a limited number of licenses under the Brooks license law. When men who voted for the Amendment sign petitions for license and go on license bonds we think [illegible] force [illegible] that [illegible] and we have that one of the case [illegible] the applications."

No decisions have at this writing been handed down. The Miner will publish in full the list of licenses granted next week.

G. A. R. Orders.

HEADQUARTERS MCKEAN POST,
No. 347, G. A. R.
SMETHPORT, May 15, 1890.

Order No. 1.

All members of this post are hereby requested to meet for inspection at Grand Army hall on Thursday evening, May 22d, 1890, at 8 o'clock. Comrades will appear in full uniform.

Order No. 2.

In compliance with the recommendation of the Department Commander the comrades of this post are requested to meet at their hall on Sunday, May 25th, 1890, at 2:30 p. m. in full uniform for the purpose of attending divine worship at the Baptist Church at 3 o'clock p. m., services to be conducted by Rev. W. D. Tukens. The members of Woman's Relief Corps No. 23 are cordially invited to attend these services with the post.

Order No. 3.

Comrades, another year has passed and another day has come when we are called upon to observe that beautiful custom of strewing flowers upon the graves of our departed comrades who gave their lives that the country might live. In the words of Department Commander Denniston, "It is sweet and profitable that we should commune and strengthen one another in our desire to so guide our actions on this particular occasion of the year, as to again renew our high resolves of love and loyalty to the memory of those who have preceded us to the last muster, and by our own proper conduct and example, command the respect and commendation of all our fellow-citizens throughout the Nation." Therefore, in compliance with General Orders No. 6, Department of Pennsylvania, G. A. R., for the proper observance of Memorial Day, the comrades of Post 347, Department of Pennsylvania, G. A. R. will assemble at their hall on Friday, May 30th 1890 at 2 o'clock p. m., in full uniform and with memorial badges. By command

S. C. BISH,
Commander.

Smethport Enterprise.

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Interesting News From Various Localities As Related by Our Regular Correspondents.

BRADFORD.

Sunday ball playing is indulged in to quite an extent in this locality.

The Bradfords distinguished themselves on the diamond field last week.

The genial Hugh P. Brawley, of Smethport, was in Bradford Saturday.

A mammoth green turtle was on exhibition in front of the Arlington last week.

Rev. W. D. Thorn of Waterford, Pa., held services in the Church of the Ascension on Sunday.

The Sawtelle Co. closed a successful week's entertainment at the opera house on Saturday evening.

F. P. Holey, the genial proprietor of the Riddell, is in attendance at the hotel men's convention in Boston this week.

Barnum's circus will pitch its tent on the Association grounds on the 28th inst. This will be the first tent show of the season.

The Councils have established a fire limit on Main street from Mechanic street to the Union depot. The said limit is 200 feet deep.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Kennedy of Pleasant street are rejoicing over the recent arrival at their residence of a bouncing boy baby.

Painters have been at work of late in beautifying the exterior of Hon. L. Emery, Jr.'s spacious residence on Congress street.

The members of the W. R. C. are perfecting arrangements for a May festival and dance to be given at Armory Hall next Tuesday.

Water street is in a deplorable condition just at the present time, but when Contractor McMahon gets through with it, it will be all right.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Rowe and City Treasurer [illegible] were called to Narrowsburg, N. Y., last week to attend the funeral of a relative.

If agitating public improvement is of any avail there will not be a street of any importance in Bradford inside of two years but what will be paved.

The Bradford Electric Light Co. has placed an arc lamp in front of their plant on Chestnut street. This is the only arc light on that thoroughfare.

Miss Ross of opera house fame who has been rusticating in the far west for the past month, returned home on Friday last much delighted with her trip.

The Hebrew Ladies Benevolent Association of this city are preparing to give a musical and literary entertainment at the opera house on the evening of May 28th.

Wagner & Reis are deserving of credit in keeping the price of admission to the Kellogg Opera down to popular prices. Their foresight will be appreciated by the public.

Mechanic street will undoubtedly be paved between Corydon and School streets during the season. That street needs paving as much as any thoroughfare in the city.

Secretary Purple represented the Bradford branch of the Y. M. C. A. in the convention of secretaries of that organization of the United States, held in Nashville, Tenn.

The Manufacturers Gas Company had a gang of men at work on the Pike farm last Sunday changing the location of their mains on that farm to conform with the extension of Congress street.

Rev. M. J. Tenks of the Presbyterian church will preach the Memorial sermon on Sunday May 25 and Rev. Dr. Hunt[illegible] of the M. E. church will deliver the address on Memorial day.

Eugene Mullin & Son have just purchased of a retiring Titusville lawyer his entire legal library, consisting of some 700 choice volumes. This well known firm has now one of the best law libraries in the city.

Ground has been broken for a large addition to the Fifth ward school house. The present building is not large enough to accommodate the scholars of that district, hence the enlargement of the building was necessary.

Many newspaper men from various parts of the state, among the number the editor of the Corry *Mail*, pounced down upon Bradford last week. Evidently the oil metropolis is considered by the newspaper profession a pretty good place to get [illegible].

District Attorney Sturgeon, who was in attendance at a session of the Supreme Court in Philadelphia last week, arrived home Saturday. It is quite probable that the finding of the McKean county court in the Moore case will be sustained by the higher court.

[illegible] residents on South Mechanic street have been [illegible] in their [illegible].

The amusement loving public will have an opportunity [illegible]. Messrs. Wagner & Reis [illegible] the opera house on the above date will command a [illegible].

The fire bell has been moved to its new location on the [illegible] the city [illegible]. When the bell is hung and in working order it ought to be plainly heard in every part of the city, [illegible] however, it is of any good whatever.

There is a great strife going on between two of the leading jewelry firms of Bradford to see which of said firms can sell watches the cheapest. The contest is becoming exceedingly interesting, and your correspondent would not be at all surprised, before the war ends, to see these enterprising dealers advertising to give away gold watches with charms thrown in as a guarantee of good faith.

In response to a telegram received from the officials of Ellicottville, on Sunday last for help to combat with an ugly fire raging in that village, Chief Engineer Kopp and First Assistant Daniel with twenty five men, Johnson hose jumper, and the steamer City of Bradford were hastily loaded on board a special B. R. & P. train and started for the scene of action. The run of twenty-six miles, between Bradford and Ellicottville was made in twenty-nine minutes, including two stops. When the Bradford department arrived at Ellicottville the fire had been got under control so their services were not needed.

MT. JEWETT.

A new Odd Fellows lodge was instituted here on Wednesday of last week, called Mt. Jewett Lodge No. 881, by the following members of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania: E. H. Hurd, Grand Master, J. H. Fate, Grand Deputy, Jno. O. Nonbergh, Grand Secretary, E. W. Barrows, Grand Warden, Rev. J. G. Hann, Grand Treasurer, and Chas. Rosencrantz, Grand Guardian. The following officers of the new lodge were elected and installed by the Grand Lodge officers: E. B. McCoy, N. G.; George Leonard, V. G.; George H. Sparks, Secy.; D. H. Huff, Asst. Secy.; A. G. Phillips, Treas. In the evening several new members were initiated and at about 12 o'clock 70 sir knights repaired to the Brewer House where we were invited by the new lodge to partake of supper that surpassed anything of the kind I have ever seen. Landlord Brewer had fairly overdone himself. Everything that could be had at the markets was on the tables. It was three o'clock in the morning when the special trains left Mt. Jewett with the "odd" passengers.

NOTES.

We did not hear the song that our brother was slated for.

Carl Engstrom from Kalmar, Sweden, takes part in the work.

The boys from Kinzua Lodge are good workers and also good looking.

The officers of Kane Lodge do the unwritten work in a first-class manner.

Mt. Jewett Lodge starts out with a bright future and in a short time will no doubt have over a hundred members.

L. Davis, a prominent Odd Fellow and furniture man from Kane, was in attendance. So were August Peterson, A. B. Cohn, A. O. Erickson, Ned Parson and others from Kane.

J. B. Elsworth was in town last week.

Mrs. J. Stahl left Saturday for a few weeks' visit to North Baltimore.

Wm. Patterson is rejoicing over the arrival of a baby boy in his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Windsor are visiting relatives and friends at Beechtree.

Mrs. C. E. McKinney, who has been quite ill for the past week, is recovering.

Miss Eva Arnold left Tuesday for Buffalo where she will attend a commercial college.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Aeschbach left Friday for Kinzua, where Mr. Aeschbach will go into business.

The family of Norman Shaffer left on Wednesday for North Baltimore, where they will reside permanently.

The Misses Minnie and Hattie Shaffer and Susie Sherman have returned from Allegany, N. Y., where they have been visiting relatives.

Dr. A. B. Leonard, secretary of the M. E. Missionary Society gave a lecture on the work and object of the society last Saturday night at the M. E. church. Owing to the inclemency of the weather but few attended, but they were amply rewarded. So well did Dr. Leonard talk that the hearts and purses of his hearers were opened, and a very liberal collection was taken for the cause.

Kendall Lodge No. 92, Order of Fraternal Guardians, was organized in Troup's hall on Monday 5th inst., by Mrs. Bella Eggleston of Cleveland, with 25 charter members. The young lodge has a good send off and promise to be a successful and prosperous organization. The following corps of officers was elected: Chief Guardian, H. Trumbower; Vice Chief, W. J. Sherman; Past Chief, M. A. Haggerty; Recording Secretary, Mrs. A. B. Clark; Financial Secretary, E. R. Shaw; Treasurer, Mrs. H. Haggerty; Chaplain, Miss Kate Imer; Guide, Mrs. P. Sutley; Inside Sentinel, Mrs. R. Phillips; Medical Examiner, Dr. D. E. Ash.

April was a good month for weddings in Kendall. The marriage of Miss Myrtle Hathaway and J. Mills was solemnized at Limestone. The young couple left the next morning for North Baltimore where they will reside. The best wishes and congratulations of their many friends followed them to their new home. The wedding of Miss Lena Collins and John Furner took place at the bride's home, Rev. Father Coonan, officiating. The wedding was private, only a few relatives and friends of the family were present. The bride wore a handsome gown of pearl colored silk and lace with orange blossoms, and looked very beautiful. After the ceremony an elegant luncheon was served. The young couple left on the four o'clock train for Butler followed by showers of rice and old shoes, and the congratulations of their friends. They will reside in Kendall.

Great excitement prevailed here Saturday night over the disappearance of three of our brightest boys. Fleet Field and Clyde and Allan Denman left their homes about three o'clock in the afternoon and went up on the hill for flowers. Two of the boys were with out coats or shoes and stockings. About eight o'clock their parents became alarmed about them, finding they were not in the neighborhood they searched the flats for signs of them. Being informed that they had gone on the hill about a hundred men took lanterns and started in search of the lost babes. The twinkling lights on the hill were eagerly watched by many anxious eyes. The search continued until near midnight when the boys were found fast asleep in a boiler house in Hawkins hollow. The darkness and rain had overtaken them and they lost their way. Footsore and weary they sought the nearest shelter and soon forgot their troubles in sleep. The men carried the children home and restored them to their anxious parents and all was joy again.

KASSON.

How did the election suit you?

Mrs. George Garlick had returned from Coleville.

Saturday was a great day for fishermen here.

Mrs. Orpha Culler has returned from Randolph.

School closed here on Wednesday for the summer.

Miss Mamie Pattison is staying with friends in Smethport.

Sunday brought the log runners out as thick as toads after a rain.

Mrs. Horace Stark of Coleville was visiting here last Thursday.

D. F. Pattison and Wm. Hafner visited the county seat on Tuesday.

Andy Perry of Clermont called on several friends here on Sunday.

D. Martin was shaking hands with Smethport acquaintances Tuesday.

Mrs. Wm. Hafner was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. McKean on Tuesday.

Bowen Warth is reported dangerously ill with inflammation of the stomach.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Barnes spent Sunday with friends in Farmers Valley.

Ira Lucas and daughters of Keating township called on friends here Friday.

Wm. Hottenstein of Sullivan county, a former resident of this place, is visiting here.

Some of our farmers would do well to look after their cattle and save themselves trouble.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Kinney visited their daughter Mrs. Andy Perry of Clermont on Sunday.

Palen Switch was the destination of several movings that passed through this place last week.

Mrs. Wm. Kimble of Johnsonburg, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Pattison of this place.

George Sparks and wife of Mt. Jewett, were the guests of D. F. Pattison and family of this place on Sunday.

ELDRED.

A. J. Thrall was looking around town on Thursday last.

Miss Allie Hill is spending a few days with Bradford friends.

Mrs. J. H. Latshaw nee Hattie Cook has been spending a few days with friends in town.

Messrs. Backus and Swaney of Smethport, attended the May Party here Friday evening.

Mrs. Armstrong, of Coudersport, is the guest of her daughter-in-law, Mrs. F. J. Armstrong.

W. E. Archibald is having rooms fitted up over his store. They will be occupied by C. P. Lily.

Will Rogers, who is now located in Plainfield, N. J., was shaking hands with old friends here Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Cotter have returned from Philadelphia, where Mr. Cotter has been attending the Supreme Court.

D. L. Robbins has moved his household goods down from Larrabee and will occupy the Crandall rooms over Marsh's furniture store.

The ball club played their first game here this season, Friday afternoon with the Duke Centre boys. The score was seventeen to three in favor of Eldred.

The "Merry Makers" are billed here for Wednesday and Thursday evenings. They come well recommended from adjoining towns where they have played.

Mrs. S. N. Squires, of Pompey, N. Y., who has been spending several months with her sons at this place, left for her home Monday. She was accompanied by Miss Eva Squires.

The May party given by the band boys Friday evening was a financial failure and the prospects are we will soon be without a band, as that organization requires better support than our town's people feel able to give.

NORWICH.

Mrs. A. P. Brewer intends visiting Bradford this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Dickinson went to Bradford on Monday.

James Morre is building a house on the farm of N. C. Gallup.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Ramer visited Mrs. W. C. Dickinson last Sunday.

Some of the farmers in this vicinity are putting up considerable wire fence.

C. W. Dickinson and his daughter Lena drove to the county seat last Saturday.

How about the polling place in Norwich. Is it a pig pen, or a hen house, or isn't it fit for either?

Some of our citizens attended the foot race [illegible] home with lighter pockets and [illegible] heads.

W. W. Tubbs and H. C. Gallup were the two winning delegates at the caucus last Saturday night.

A. M. Mattison, of Emporium, visited his brother Terrence, of this place, on Sunday and Monday.

Many of our farmers are doing away with road fences. It is quite an improvement in the looks of their farms.

M. N. Allen, of East Smethport, is making many improvements on his farm on Potato creek. The 'Squire is a hustler on a farm.

W. C. Dickinson, of Norwich, and Alf. Holden, of Comes Creek, have taken charge of the boarding house at Instanter for Messrs. Hoyt & Schultz.

CLERMONT.

Mylo Lyman from Roulette, was in town Wednesday.

Conductor L. F. Burdick is taking a very much-needed rest.

Lawrence Baver and son had business in Olean the other day.

Mrs. Bedford's horse was raffled off Monday evening. Judge Tate held No. 95 which was worth just as much as the horse.

The Republican caucus on Saturday evening last was a slim affair on account of a severe rain storm which raged all the evening.

The parties drilling the oil well say that the formations through which they have gone so far indicate oil further down. We all hope they will strike a gusher.

Your quill driver at Clermont will visit Pittsburgh next week for the purpose of attending the meeting of the Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F. at its annual session, therefore no one need hesitate reading the next issue of the Miner.

As I promised last week, I will give a few pointers of the dance at Anderson's hall. It was as expected a grand affair. The leader of the Johnsonburg band happened to be in town and when the parties who were to furnish music refused to play he was sent for and with the aid of another musician they furnished music which was hard to beat. All are loud in their praise of the excellent music furnished. It was nearly morning when the dancers repaired to their homes each one rejoicing that there was more than one fiddler in Clermont. I understand that another party will be held at the same place next week when the Smethport orchestra will furnish the music.

Concert Programme.

The following choice programme has been arranged for Saturday night's open-air concert which will be rendered by Smethport Band on the court house lawn weather permitting:

March	Quartermaster Newton	Rollinson
Overture	The Belle of the Village	Bouillon
Selection	Solitude	Mercadante
Waltz	I'll Await My Love	Prendeville
Baritone Solo	Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep. Mr. N. H. Knapp	Rollinson
Galop	Time and Tide	Taylor

PROF. MILLS, Director.

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The following contributions to "The Children's Monument Fund" are acknowledged with pleasure by Chairman Wright who extends heartfelt thanks for same on behalf of the entire county.

SMETHPORT SCHOOLS.

Room No. 1, Elma [illegible] teacher.

Hattie Walter	10	Guy B. May	10
Willie Herzog	10	Ray Young	25
James Richards	11	Charles Richards	10
Ben Crandall	10	Anonymous	10
Herman Tull	10	Orr King	10
Grace Murray	5	Addie Peirce	10
Maud MacNair	10	Willie Ostrander	10
Ross King	10	Willie Shoemaker	10
Anonymous	10	Mary Provin	10
Ross Knapp	10	Anonymous	50
Edith Mulligan	25	Frank Annas	11
W. J. Sherr	50		
Total			[illegible]
Previously reported			[illegible]
Grand total			[illegible]

The Teachers are Innocent

CLERMONT, PA., May 13, 1890.

EDITOR MINER:—From the item which appeared in the Miner last week one would suppose that the schools had been very disorderly during the term. I would ask of the person who wrote that item if he had ever visited said schools, or had any children attending or where he received his information. I, from my own personal observation, know that the schools are conducted better and are in better condition than ever before. I have learned by inquiry that in order to protect the school property during their absence the teachers obtained permission of the directors to lock the building during the noon hour which caused much dissatisfaction among a number of the pupils and parents. The person who wrote that item stated that neither of the boys who were blamed were the cause of the disorder and damage and intimated that the teachers were, but those living in the vicinity of the building know that the teachers faithfully protected the school property as far as lay in their power.

A CITIZEN.

How to Cook Trout.

A contributor to the New York *Sun* furnishes the following recipe for cooking trout: The successful angler on returning to camp clean a few trout in the crystal waters of the stream he but a few moments before lured them from. A fire is built. The trout are buttered, and seasoned with salt and pepper, then wrapped in paper or leaves and buried in the hot ashes where they steam in their own fragrant vapor. As the angler removes the wrapping and the delicate aroma ascends, his sensitive nostrils quiver, his palate rouses into self-consciousness, and in a tone of emotion he murmurs "Ye gods! N'yum—n'yum—n'yum." The next best mode of cooking small trout is to clean them, rinse quickly in cold spring water, dry with a towel, and rub a little salt on the inside along the bone. Then cut into dice half a pound of the sweetest salt pork obtainable, fry it out in the frying pan, and into the pork fat, actively boiling, plunge the delicate fish.

The Spring Medicine.

The popularity which Hood's Sarsaparilla has gained as a spring medicine is wonderful. It possesses just those elements of health giving, blood purifying and appetite-restoring which everybody seems to need at this season. Do not continue in a dull, tired, unsatisfactory condition when you may be so much benefited by Hood's Sarsaparilla. It purifies the blood and makes the weak strong.

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Come in and look at them.
13 tf. J. B. LARAWAY.

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Items of Interest Gathered from Various Sources by the Man With the Shears.

—Go to M. Rosenfeld's for clothes.

—The crowbar is the most enter-prising of tools.

—Carpets in exchange for wool at the Furniture and Carpet Store.

—For wall paper, go to Reilly's Furniture and Carpet store.

—A big line of clothing for men and boys at M. Rosenfeld's Main street.

—Steady employment, on salary, is offered in another column by E. C. Pierson & Co., Waterloo, N. Y.

—Unmarried carpenters are anomalies. Carpenters should be joiners, too.

—Apples and potatoes at lowest market rates, kept constantly on hand at J. H. Stull's, East Smethport, Pa.

—The cradles of some Massachusetts babies give them Plymouth rocks.

—G. J. Smith has purchased a dray in connection with his ice business and persons requiring hauling would do well to give him a call.

—One would think that accordian pleats might help to make a loud costume.

—The handsomest wall paper ever brought to Smethport can be seen at Specht & Sasse's Furniture rooms.

—If you want pictures framed in the latest styles call at Specht and Sasse's Furniture rooms, Main Street, Smethport.

—Some of the base ball now being inflicted upon the public is very base.

—Wanted, a girl to do general house work. For information apply at the residence of Mrs. J. C. Backus, Main St.

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DIED.

BLANCHARD—In Oshkosh, Wisconsin, April 27, 1890, Mrs. Laura M. Blanchard, aged 61 years. She was a sister of Mrs. A. Shepard of Smethport.

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L. M. STERNS, Administrator.
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April 28, 1890. 6t

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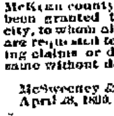

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MRS. T. D. NASH.

Smethport, April 18th 1890.—tf

VISIONS OF SPRING.

After four months of gloomy, dreary, unseasonable weather, who does not appreciate bright, beautiful sunshine? With it come visions of spring flowers, and fields and forests, and all nature attired as she alone can perfectly do. With it comes the robin red breast, as the advance guard of regiments of feathered songsters. With it comes into the heart new hopes, new desires, new ambitions, new determinations to so scatter the seed as to bring an abundant harvest. With it comes thoughts of our own needs. Heavy garments must soon be discarded. We have visions of bright, fresh pretty calico dresses and aprons for the children, or some of the new combinations of checks in ginghams, classics and criterion cloths, of which the variety seems inexhaustible, or the more plain, but no less durable seersuckers. For Sunday or occasional wear, challies are desirable, light, cheap, with such beautiful sprigs and flowers, so natural one almost thinks they "growed." The older ones too must have something new, for how can one fully enjoy the bright new robes put on by every tree and shrub, unless they have coverings suitable to the season? The popular satteens makes some of the prettiest, inexpensive dresses imaginable. Yes, one must have a sateen, or some, perhaps, would prefer the Bombay draperies, lighter in color, thinner in texture, in which to take tea. Some of us need a nice Henrietta, in black or colors. If we buy these we want something good, it don't pay to make up cheap Henriettas. Another says I can buy an all-wool serge, in almost any of the new spring shades, good width, for 50 cents a yard, that will do me a good deal of service, being a little heavier and not so fine as Henriettas. Another expects to travel some. She must have something that is stylish in appearance, does not catch dust, will not shrink or crinkle and can be cleaned if accidentally soiled. The Jamestown alpacas which are shown in great variety, or the brilliantines which good sense forced fashion to bring out again, will suit her. Still another thinks she wants material for a "hack" dress, plain color, medium weight, that she ought to buy for 25 cents, in 36 inch wide. It is probable she will also be suited. To go with dresses must be numberless items of white goods, gloves, hosiery, ribbons, shoes, corsets, &c., to complete a child's, misses' or ladies' toilet, and she wonders if she can anywhere find a better assortment or lower prices, quality considered, than at

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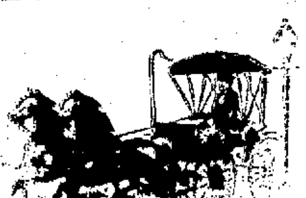

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[illegible] a. m.—Day Express, daily except Sunday, for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, Lancaster, Philadelphia, New York, [illegible] and Washington, arriving at Philadelphia [illegible] p. m., New York [illegible] p. m., Baltimore [illegible] p. m., Washington [illegible] p. m. Pullman Parlor car through from Williamsport to Philadelphia.

[illegible] p. m.—Erie Mail daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, Lancaster, Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore and Washington, arriving at Philadelphia [illegible] a. m., New York [illegible] a. m., Baltimore [illegible] a. m., Washington [illegible] a. m. Through Pullman sleeping cars are run on this train from Erie and Williamsport to Philadelphia. Passengers in sleeper for Baltimore and Washington will be transferred into Washington sleeper at Harrisburg and through passenger cars from Erie to Philadelphia and from Williamsport to Baltimore.

WESTWARD.

[illegible] a. m.—Erie Mail daily for Erie and all intermediate stations with through Pullman Palace car and through passenger coaches to Erie.

[illegible] p. m.—Niagara Express, daily except Sunday for Kane and intermediate stations with through passenger coaches to Kane.

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Niagara Express leaves New York [illegible] a. m., Philadelphia [illegible] a. m., Baltimore [illegible] a. m., daily except Sunday, arriving at Emporium Junction [illegible] p. m. with through Pullman Parlor car from Philadelphia to Williamsport.

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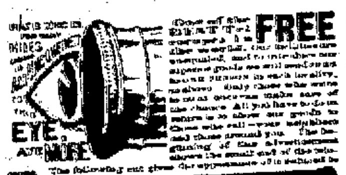

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TIME TABLE IN EFFECT DEC. 1, 1889

WESTWARD.			STATIONS	EASTWARD.		
p.m.	a.m.	a.m.		a.m.	p.m.	p.m.
6 20	11 30	9 05	ar Bradford lv	7 30	2 00	5 05
5 45	11 15	8 50	Kenzua Ju	8 00	2 45	5 45
5 17	11 05	8 20	New City	8 45	2 56	5 54
4 50	10 52	7 54	Rexford	9 05	3 17	6 15
4 45	10 31	7 40	Duke Centre	9 12	3 25	6 30
4 25	10 15	7 30	Eldred	9 35	3 50	6 40
			B. E. & C. R. R.			
3 54	9 58		Ceres	10 02	5 02	
3 21	9 37		Little Genesee	11 00		
3 02	9 05		Lv Bolivar Ar	11 15	5 25	
2 51	8 24		Allentown	11 45	5 51	
2 15	8 00		lv Wellsville ar	12 30	6 30	
p.m.	a.m.	a.m.		a.m.	p.m.	
p.m.	p.m.	a.m.		a.m.	a.m.	p.m.
6 00	3 00	8 05	ar Bradford lv	7 50	10 00	3 40
5 45	2 43	8 30	Kinzua Junct'n	8 20	10 10	3 45
5 29	2 30	8 21	Aiken	8 37	10 37	3 53
5 17	2 30	8 16	Davis	8 44	10 54	3 59
5 23	2 21	8 06	Simpson	8 55	11 22	4 07
5 11	2 16	7 56	Ormsby	9 04	11 24	4 15
3 50	1 50	7 25	Smethport	9 27	11 40	4 42
4 41	1 41	7 24	Mt. Jewett	9 32	11 42	4 42
4 10	1 00	6 45	Kane	10 10	12 20	7 35

JNO. C. McKENNA,
Superintendent.

COUDERSPORT & PORT ALLEGANY Railroad Time Table, takes effect Monday, June 20, 1887.

Ar. EASTW'D.			STATIONS.	L'v WESTW'D.		
A. M.	P.M.	P.M.		A. M.	P.M.	P.M.
11.07	6.34	1.57	Coudersport	8.00	1.13	5.00
11.02	6.30	1.53	Hammonds	8.04	1.16	5.04
10.56	6.25	1.08	Fish Basket	8.07	1.20	5.08
10.52	6.22	1.06	Olmsted	8.12	1.24	5.12
10.46	6.17	1.00	Nelsons	8.17	1.29	5.17
10.36	6.09	12.52	Knowlton	8.24	1.34	5.24
10.30	6.03	12.45	Roulette	8.31	1.43	5.31
10.25	7.53	12.40	Pomeroy Bridge	8.35	1.53	5.39
10.16	7.51	12.31	Burtville	8.41	2.00	5.49
10.08	7.45	12.25	Coleman	8.54	2.10	5.57
10.00	7.40	12.17	Port Allegany	9.00	2.15	6.15

Trains run on eastern standard time.

B. A. McCLURE, Sup't.

Western New York & Pa. R. R.

(FORMERLY B., N. Y. & P. R. R.)

Time Table in effect Oct. 20, 1889.

Trains will leave Smethport for Larrabee's, Eldred, Olean, Bradford, Rochester and Buffalo as follows:

BUFFALO EXPRESS, ...9:18 A. M.
BUFFALO MAIL ....12:22 P. M.

For Clermont, Johnsonburg, and points south:

CLERMONT MAIL.......7:12 A. M.
CLERMONT ACCOMMOD'N ....12:22 P. M.

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A Brief Chapter on Fertilizers by Southern Cultivator—Opportune Suggestions About Poultry, Bees and Other Timely Topics of General Interest.

Bone meal is good for any crop, but is especially adapted for fruit trees of all kinds, grape vines and other perennial plants. It is not a very active fertilizer and is not quickly exhausted. If very fine ground it is also excellent for a strawberry bed.

Nitrate of soda is not recommended for orchards and vines, being very soluble and not enduring. Potash is a very important constituent of a fertilizer for fruit trees, vines and strawberries. A mixture may be made that will answer for all these plants, as follows:

Bone flour (fine), 1,200 pounds; kainit, 600 pounds. You can make a somewhat cheaper mixture as follows: Acid phosphate, 1,600 pounds; cotton seed meal, 300 pounds; kainit, 500 pounds.

For a long time it was thought that asparagus required large doses of salt, probably because it would endure a heavy application without injury, being a marine plant; but later experiments indicate that salt is no specific for asparagus, but serves to retain moisture. We would prefer to use the last described formula on asparagus. The kainit contains one-third salt.

Wire Netting in the Garden.

Wire netting is being substituted for bean poles and pea brush in village gardens and other small plots. We find in Orchard and Garden the following suggestions on the subject: The galvanized wire netting sufficient for a row of peas, beans or tomatoes, 150 feet long, it is affirmed, will cost 20 cents a year only, if ordinary care be taken of the netting when not in use. In using the wire only a few stout stakes are needed, which can be put away under cover when not in use, and it makes the neatest kind of a trellis imaginable. It throws no shade, and always presents a point to tie to. Tomatoes usually need a good deal of tying with most methods of training, but on the wire netting they soon get their shoots interlocked in the meshes, and only need the occasional tying in of a branch.

This netting is not only cheaper than the various patent trellises offered for sale, but is much better every way. The netting is largely used for poultry yard inclosures. A wider grade is used, so as to make a fence seven feet high by the help of a baseboard twelve inches wide. There is no reason why these poultry yard fences could not be made both beautiful and useful by using them to support grape vines, trained high, so as to have the fruit out of the way of the poultry. The vines would be benefited by the droppings of the fowls and the fowls by the shade of the vines.

The Bee and Honey Industry.

Attention is called in a bulletin from the Rhode Island experiment station to the decision of the supreme court of Arkansas as to the unconstitutionality of prohibiting bee keeping. Attention is furthermore called to laws lately passed in Germany, which gives all land owners the privilege of keeping bees anywhere and promising protection by civil right and law as well as punishment to the destroyers of bees by poison or any other means.

Quotations from crop and other reports of the United States department are given to show the importance of this industry. The value of bees as honey and wax producers is shown, and their greater value as pollen from flower to flower, thus fertilizing and causing the fruit to set and mature, is considered and many opinions and facts presented. The desirability of the cross fertilization of flowers and the aid rendered by insects in this work is shown, as well as the adaptability of the honey bee to the flowers of the most important fruit and vegetable crops dependent upon insect visits. The question as to whether bees injure fruit is presented, the opinion of the government entomologist that they do not, and an account of the careful experiments carried out under his direction to settle the matter are given. The views of Professors Packard and Gray, as well as of prominent fruit growers in Rhode Island, are also given.

How to Make a Honey Board.

In a prize essay written for American Bee Journal on extracted honey, a correspondent says:

"I prefer a honey board made as follows to anything else that I have tried: It is made of strips about one and one-fourth inches wide and three-fourths of an inch longer than the outside of the hive. These are placed a bee space apart and just as wide as the hive (outside), and the whole is cleated together by a three-quarter inch square strip, that has a groove cut in the middle, half way through, just the same as an old style Heddon hive cover is cleated. These end strips keep the board in place and also keep the upper stories from slipping or blowing off. This board may easily be made break joint, but I am not sure that it is an advantage."

A Test of Varieties of Oats.

Professor Caldwell, reporting upon a test of varieties of oats made at the Pennsylvania experiment station, says:

The cultivation of the Harris variety is not to be recommended from our experience with it. It gives a fair yield and is quite early, but, for the last few seasons, has produced grain of very inferior quality. The improved American oats had the stoutest straw, and gave a fair yield. This variety and the Wide Awake oats are the two which did the best, all things considered. The White Bonanza and White Wonder oats are very plump, nice grained varieties, weighing the most per bushel, but did not give as heavy yields as some others. The Japan variety produces good, well filled grain, and, aside from weak straw, is of much promise.

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Attend to your health. It will save your wealth. Use Dennis' Panacea and Laxative Liver Pills, headache and catarrh snuff and superior cough syrup for any case of influenza whether of the head, throat or bronchial difficulty, and you can save your self from any attack or break up and cure any case of the "La Grippe" if taken in season, and instead of using so much quinine and whiskey, use Dennis' Vegetable Compound and a plenty of the Panacea internally and externally and the cure is sure.

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SORGHUM AND SORGHUM SUGAR.

An Interesting Report of Results Obtained During the Year 1889.

The chemist of the United States department of agriculture, Dr. Wiley, has prepared a record of experiments in the culture and manufacture of sorghum and sorghum sugar during the year 1889. From this it appears that the results of manufacturing at the various points named were in general far from successful. At Cedar Falls, Ia., the certainty of early frosts renders cultivation of sorghum for sugar too precarious. At Rio Grande, N. J., the principal trouble seems to have been the deterioration of the plant itself, resulting in an insufficient sugar content. The result of the experiments strongly confirms the assertions already made by the same authority to the effect that the region for successful sorghum growing for sugar purposes seems to be limited to certain regions in Kansas and the northern portions of Indian territory. In many cases failure has been due to causes which might have been foreseen and avoided. In every case but one, one of the essential conditions of successful manufacturing was absent—namely, an ample supply of water. There were, furthermore, the unavoidable difficulties attending the building of new or repairing old structures, the use of new machinery and the carrying on of the work with inexperienced hands, the employes in several cases having never worked in a sugar factory before.

The report is calculated, taken as a whole, to give encouragement to the advocates of the industry. The essential conditions of success are briefly: The growing of sorghum from scientifically tested seed, and in localities adapted to the plant, and that more careful cultivation be given to it than farmers bestow upon their field of maize; also the undertaking of the manufacture on a sufficiently extensive scale, with ample capital and with facilities for the application of the best methods. Under such conditions it would seem that success might be reasonably anticipated. It is worth noting in reports of Special Agent Cook that the Kansas farmers have found sorghum at the rate of $1.50 per ton of cane the most profitable crop they can grow.

Why Hens Do Not Lay.

One of the puzzling questions that often arise in the experience of persons raising fowls is why their hens are not laying as well as their neighbor's, who is far more fortunate in the weekly additions made to his egg basket. Many persons start out with the confident expectation of uninterrupted success in raising chickens and eggs, to find at last that the business has for some reason become unprofitable. Southern Farm, commenting on the above, advises:

In purchasing hens for laying, particular attention should be given to the color and appearance of their combs, which should be bright and red. Where the comb has a dull, sickly color, and a kind of flattened appearance, no amount of feeding or care will force the laying of eggs as long as these conditions exist. Again, the legs should be smooth and clean and free from scales or the appearance of spurs, both of which indicate that the hen has passed the laying age. The cock should be bought out of a different flock and be as purely bred as possible. The principal causes of failure in egg production are believed to be: First, keeping hens that are too old; second, breeding in and in, or a failure to introduce new blood from sources entirely outside of one's one flock, and third, keeping the flock too long in the same runs.

Rye for Silage.

O. B. Potter has used rye several years for ensilage, and finds it to answer a good purpose if cut at the right time, or before the deep green of the stalk has begun to change color, or as soon as the head fully appears. Later, it becomes hard and woody. He finds thin alternating layers of dry hay, placed in with the ensilage when filling, useful in absorbing the surplus water of the rye, and in making excellent food for the cattle. About one-fourth is thus applied in hay.

Here and There.

The Faltz wheat, extensively planted in southern and central Illinois, according to reports received by the state board of agriculture, is practically destroyed.

The department of agriculture has issued a circular, prepared by Mr. Fernow, which is sent out with the tree seeds that are distributed. The circular gives in brief suggestions on raising of forest tree seedlings helpful to those not familiar with the practice.

A California exchange tells that the manufacture of sugar from watermelons at Lodi now amounts to several car loads per year.

In Germany there are now over 400 registered co-operative creameries.

The officers of the American Horticultural society for the ensuing year are: Parker Earle, of Mississippi, president; W. H. Ragan, of Indiana, first vice president; J. C. Evans, Missouri, treasurer, and Professor Popenoe, secretary.

Florists generally agree that single dahlias surpass the double forms, and bring about excellent results when treated as annuals.

Perry's hybrid sugar corn is classed among the largest of early sweet varieties.

The Cat's Photograph.

A pet cat, which was suffocated in a fire in Charleston, S. C., left her portrait behind her. The smoke settled on the floor and blackened it, except where the cat was lying. Now that her small body has been removed, there appears on the floor a reversed silhouette, an outline of the cat in white on a black ground. By keeping the smoke from the bit of flooring upon which she lay she made her own picture. It is a perfect outline, even to the collar on her neck and the spreading hair of her tail. The section of floor will be varnished and the outlines of "kitty" preserved.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Consumption Surely Cured.

To The Editor:—Please inform your readers that I have a positive remedy for the above-named disease. By its timely use thousands of hopeless cases have been permanently cured. I shall be glad to send two bottles of my remedy FREE to any of your readers who have consumption if they will send me their Express and P. O. address. Respectfully, T. A. SLOCUM, M. C., 181 Pearl St., N. Y.

News About Town.

It is the current report about town that Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs is making some remarkable cures with people who are troubled with Coughs, Sore Throat, Asthma, Bronchitis and Consumption. Any druggist will give you a trial bottle *free of cost*. It is guaranteed to relieve and cure. The Large Bottles 50c and $1.

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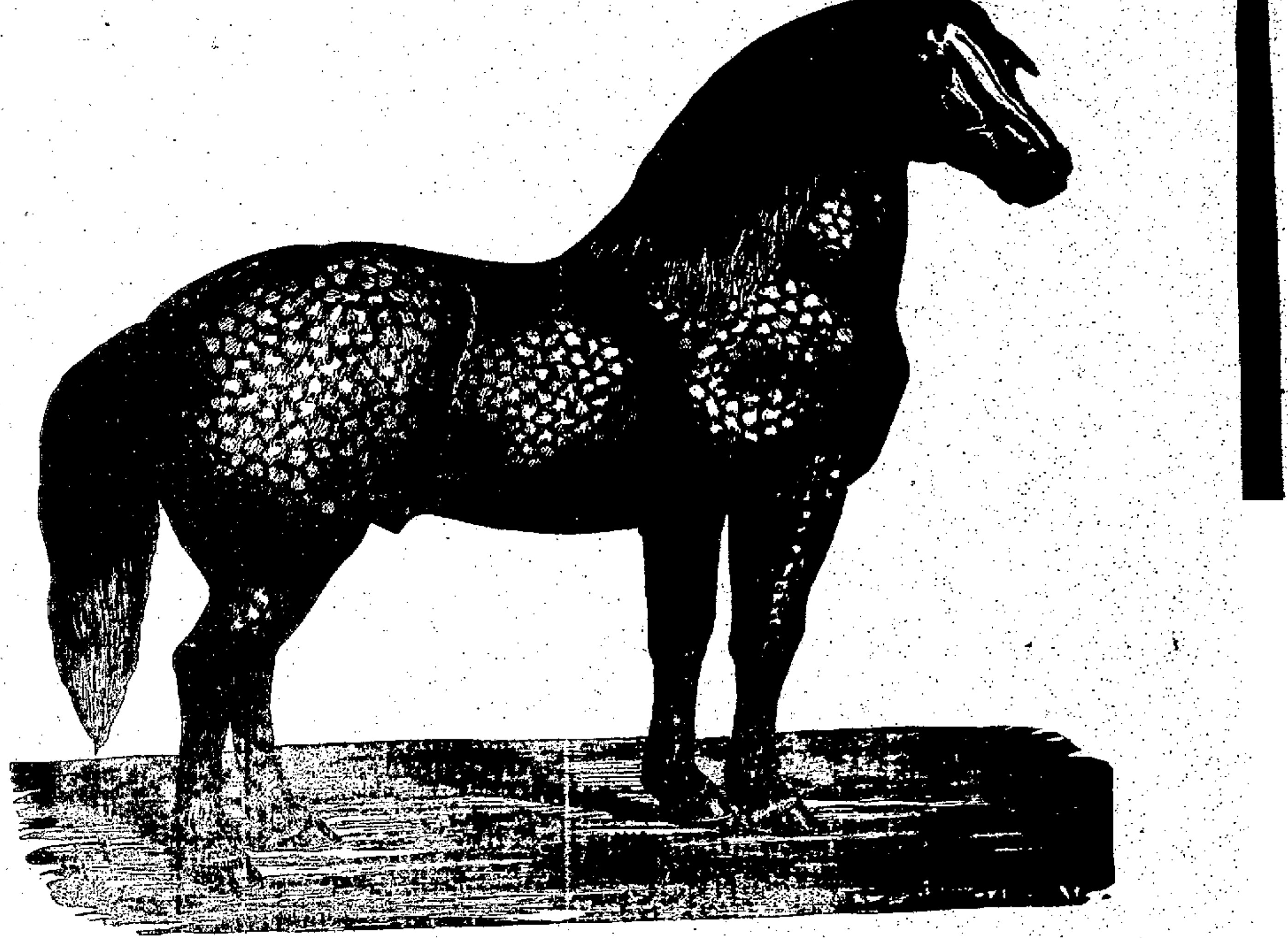

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VALENREUX, (12,193.) Hoof No. 10, P.

The above is a cut of the celebrated Percheron Stallion "VALENREUX," Percheron Stud Book No. —, foaled in France in 1887, and Imported by the Powell Brothers, of the "Shade Land" stock farm, Springboro, Crawford County, Pa., in September, 1889, from whom I purchased him. Valenreux is a Thoroughbred Percheron; a beautiful grey, and although but three years, he weighs 1,600 pounds.

The large horse is now in almost universal demand, consequently the most profitable horse for the farmer to raise. For the 'Bus, the Dray or the Carriage, the Percheron finds ready sale, at good prices, and recognizing this fact I determined to give the farmers of McKean county an opportunity to improve their stock. My horse VALENREUX comes from one of the largest stock farms in the United States, and I am prepared to prove that he is all I claim for him. Call and see the horse and you will be convinced.

For the Season of 1890 he will stand at the old Hamlin farm, head of Main street, Smethport, Pa. Call and see one of the finest colts in Western Pennsylvania, and no mistake. I have the documents to prove it. He is the only Registered Horse in McKean county, and the only imported one in Western Pennsylvania. DON'T USE A "GRADE" WHEN YOU CAN GET A THOROUGHBRED. SERVICE, $15, OR $25 PER SPAN, TO INSURE.

"EARL MONARCH,"

by Almonarch, (3234), record 2:24½; by Almont, (33), sire and grandsire of 110 in the 2:30 list, will also stand for the season at the above named place. This is one of the best bred grandsons of Almont, (33), sire of Westmont, 2:01¼.

WM. H. PICARD, Proprietor.